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TOWN OF
BELLINGHAM
2007

IN MEMORIAM



EDWARD W. FRALIN, JR.

1943 – 2007

Finance Committee



JAMES M. KENNEDY

1940 – 2007

Board of Health



HAROLD A. MAINES

1926 – 2007

School Committee

Board of Health



ROGER G. PARENTEAU

1943 – 2007

Personnel Board



BRUNO M. SANTINI

1921 – 2007

Town Democratic Committee

Finance Committee

School Committee

Housing Authority

Water Commission



JOSEPH F. SPAS

1922 -2007

School Committee

Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee



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of the

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

for the Year Ending December 31, 2007

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

2007 ELECTED OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

Ann L. Odabashian, Chairman
Richard J. Martinelli, Vice Chairman
Dawn Marie Davies
Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr.
Ronald L. Picard

TOWN CLERK

Kathleen M. Harvey

MODERATOR

Scott A. Ambler

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Michael J. O'Herron, Chairman
Gwyn J. Swanson, Vice Chairman
Francis E. Cartier
Dr. Ronald L. Martel
Stephen R. Patrick

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Joseph M. Hall

PLANNING BOARD

Brian J. Sutherland, Chairman
Glenn C. Wojcik, Vice Chairman
Stephen W. Bartha
David H. Brown
Patricia M. Buckley
John D. Sexton, Associate Member

CONSTABLES

David H. Brown
Richard J. Martinelli

Paul J. Kearns
William A. Spear, Jr.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Michael B. Carr, Chairman
Kathleen Bartlett
Russell E. Lafond
Pamela W. Perry
Bernadette D. Rivard (Resigned December 27, 2007)

2007 ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS (con't)

HOUSING AUTHORITY

William F. O'Connell, Jr., Chairman

Ernest A. Taft, Vice Chairman

Linda L. Cartier

Richard D. Marcoux

Billiegene A. Lavallee *

* State Appointee

2007 APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Denis C. Fraine

TOWN COUNSEL

Ambler & Ambler, P.C.

Lee G. Ambler

Scott A. Ambler

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Marilyn A. Mathieu

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Grace L. Devitt

CHIEF OF POLICE

Gerard L. Daigle, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF - FOREST FIRE CHIEF

Richard F. Ranieri

D.P.W. DIRECTOR

Donald F. DiMartino

DIRECTOR OF LIBRARIES

Charlotte L. Canelli

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HOUSING AUTHORITY

Janice C. Towne

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Cynthia A. Souza

Tracey Holmes

Alfio Taddeo

Michael Taddeo

Gregory Giardino

BELLINGHAM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

James L. Haughey, Director

BOARD OF HEALTH

Camille R. Vaillant, Chairman
Vincent A. Forte, Jr., Vice Chairman
Walter J. DePaolo

AGENT TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH (Burial Permits)

Francis E. Cartier
Leslie A. Cartier, Assistant

HEALTH AGENT

Michael Graf

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Gordon D. Curtis, Chairman
Mary Ambler, MD
Kathleen M. Harvey
Bruce W. Lord

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Roland A. Lavalley, Chairman
Joseph E. Collamati, Jr., Vice Chairman
Mary Beth Cuomo
Michael B. Tobin
Toni A. Picariello

CEMETERY COMMITTEE & SEXTONS

Francis E. Cartier
William A. Spear, Jr.
James L. Haughey

CIVIL DEFENSE AUXILIARY POLICE

Eugene F. Bartlett, Chief
James Eames, Dep. Chief
G. Steven Schreffler, Lieut.
Thomas A. Keirstead, Sgt.
Joseph Matkowski, Jr., Sgt.
Earl J. Vater, Captain
John Kauker, IV, Sgt.
Ronald F. Mason, Sgt.

Auxiliary Patrolemen

Stephen Daigle
Mark W. Duquette
Thomas Marston
Craig Riolo
Frederick Savoie, Jr.
Robert Dickinson
Dana V. Lovejoy
Justin Ridenaur
Michael J. Sabourin

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

Amy B. Cook, Chairperson
Lambert D. Howe, Vice Chairman
Louise A. Arnold
Roberta J. Platt
Richard J. Martinelli

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Clifford A. Matthews, Chairman

Barry A. Lariviere, Vice Chairman

Lori J. Fafard

Anne A. Matthews

James P. Hentz

Neal D. Standley

Conservation Administrator

George C. Holmes

COUNCIL FOR THE AGING

Gordon D. Curtis , Chairman

Nancy M. Delfino, Vice Chairperson

Louise A. Arnold

Frederick E. Dehmer

Joan M. Giard

Mary Peluso

Elizabeth A. Willey

Yvonne E. Bartlett

Catherine J. DeTore

William W. Monteiro

Mary Rita Tetrault

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Myrna F. Simonson

Mary C. Healy

Catherine S. Rogozyn

Jeremy F. Ronkin

Linda Trudeau

Lauren L. Ward

Eileen Jundzil

Sheila J. Ronkin

Gilbert L. Trudeau

Darryl D. Ward

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Gary E. Maynard, Chairman

Roland A. Lavallee, Vice Chairman

Joseph E. Collamati, Jr.

Henri J. Masson

Raymond J. Szczepan

Carol M. Dill

Toni A. Picariello

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Ernest A. Taft, Chairman

Priscilla Compton

Danielle N. Fisher

Peter M. Morelli

Elizabeth T. Andrews (Resigned November 9, 2007)

Marcia A. Crooks

Florence M. McCracken

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Stuart S. LeClaire

Earl J. Vater, Assistant

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS

Roger E. Gaboury

Fran Sebio

Jay B. Palermo

INSPECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Henry L. Boucher, Jr.

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Florent Levesque

Richard D. Marcoux, Assistant

Eugene F. Reckert, Assistant

INSURANCE COMMISSION

Grace L. Devitt

Denis C. Fraine

Marilyn A. Mathieu

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

James E. Hastings, Chairman

Robert W. Erickson

Marilynn L. Fuller

Brian T. Murphy

METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Mary E. Chaves

NORFOLK COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

Roland A. Lavallee

PARKS COMMISSION

William L. Roberts, Sr., Chairman

Robert P. Bartlett, Vice Chairman

Donald L. Floyd

PEARL STREET MILL PROJECT

Rosemarie Kilduff

Roland R. Laprade

Stephen R. Patrick

Gordon D. Curtis

Ann L. Odabashian

Paulette R. Zazza

PRECINCT WARDENS & DEPUTY WARDENS

<i>Precinct</i>	<i>Wardens</i>	<i>Political Party</i>	<i>Deputy Wardens</i>
<i>One</i>	Alice H. Bissonnette	DEMOCRAT	Rachel L. Stratman
<i>Two</i>	Geraldine A. Perreault	REPUBLICAN	Shirley W. Toomey
<i>Three</i>	Kenneth A. Bogan	DEMOCRAT	James A. McElroy
<i>Four</i>	Theresa J. Marini	DEMOCRAT	John T. Molloy
<i>Five</i>	Joanne Arcand	REPUBLICAN	Shirley Parziale

PULASKI BOULEVARD VILLAGE OVERLAY DISTRICT SUBCOMMITTEE

Mary E. Chaves

Roland R. Laprade

Guy A. Fleurette

Jerald A. Mayhew

Neal D. Standley

Peter J. Harty

Jeffrey Scornavacca

TAX ASSESSORS

Mary Ellen Hutchins, Chairperson

Tara A. Damiano

George C. Noble

TOWN COMMON TRUSTEES

G. Steven Schreffler, Chairman

Theodore C. Bailey, Vice Chairman

Joanne Arcand

Diana C. Crooks

Constance I. Peter

TOWN MEETING TELLERS

Alice H. Bissonnette, Head Teller

Joanne Arcand

Maryclare Burke

Barbara J. Gallagher

Margaret M. Jaskinski

Anne A. Matthews

Shirley J. Parziale

Mary S. Strachan

Marcia J. Swenson

Shirley W. Toomey

Joan Wingle

VETERANS' AGENT AND DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

Raymond R. Gagne

WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT

Nancy A. Bailey

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Jeffrey Scornavacca, Chairman

Arturo G. Paturzo, Vice Chairman

Robert J. Andrews

Alternate Members:

Morton J. BenMaor

Mary E. Chaves

William J. Hermistone

Douglas A. Cochrane

Peter Delsignore

Peter J. Harty

ASSISTANT TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Nancy A. Bailey

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Florence M. MacLaughlin

ASSISTANT TOWN COLLECTOR

Teresa A. Ambrosino

ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER

Beth C. Smith

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSOR

Elizabeth A. Cournoyer

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jacqueline A. Bokoski

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO D.P.W. DIRECTOR

Claire M. Lofgren

SECRETARY TO TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Catherine F. Creasia

CLERK TO BOARD OF HEALTH

Laura A. Renaud

CLERK TO CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Anne A. Matthews

CLERK TO FINANCE COMMITTEE

Toni A. Picariello

CLERK TO INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Michelle A. Brunelle

CLERK TO PLANNING BOARD

Mary E. Chaves

CLERK TO SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Nancy A. Maynard

CLERK TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Laura A. Renaud

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICIAL POPULATION STATISTICS

<u>CENSUS DATE</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>
May 25, 1765	468
March 29, 1776	627
January 1, 1978	14,619
January 1, 1979	14,692
January 1, 1980	14,476
January 1, 1981	14,339
January 1, 1982	14,209
January 1, 1983	14,098
January 1, 1984	14,107
January 1, 1985	13,981
January 1, 1986	13,911
January 1, 1987	14,001
January 1, 1988	14,140
January 1, 1989	14,404
January 1, 1990	14,375
January 1, 1991	14,319
January 1, 1992	14,187
January 1, 1993	14,275
January 1, 1994	14,217
January 1, 1995	14,251
January 1, 1996	14,525
January 1, 1997	14,590
January 1, 1998	14,686
January 1, 1999	14,767
January 1, 2000	15,027
January 1, 2001	15,075
January 1, 2002	15,093
January 1, 2003	15,301
January 1, 2004	15,347
January 1, 2005	15,504
January 1, 2006	15,645
January 2, 2007	15,714

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICIAL FEDERAL POPULATION STATISTICS

<u>CENSUS DATE</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>
August 1, 1790	735
August 1, 1800	704
August 1, 1810	766
August 1, 1820	1,034
June 1, 1830	1,102
June 1, 1840	1,055
June 1, 1850	1,281
June 1, 1860	1,313
June 1, 1870	1,282
June 1, 1880	1,223
June 1, 1890	1,334
June 1, 1900	1,682
April 15, 1910	1,696
January 1, 1920	2,102
April 1, 1930	3,189
April 1, 1940	2,979
April 1, 1950	4,100
April 1, 1960	6,774
April 1, 1970	13,967
April 1, 1980	14,300
April 1, 1990	14,877
April 1, 2000	15,314

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of Bellingham

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

Norfolk, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Town Elections to meet at:

Stall Brook School in Precinct # 1; Clara Macy School in Precinct # 2;
Bellingham Library in Precinct # 3; Paul J. Primavera Educational Center in
Precinct # 4 and # 5 in said Bellingham:

**On TUESDAY, the First Day of May, 2007
POLLS WILL OPEN AT 7:00 AM and CLOSE at 8:00 PM**

To cast their votes for the following:

One Selectmen	For a term of three years
One Town Clerk	For a term of three years
Four Constables	For a term of three years
One Housing Authority Member	For a term of five years
Two Library Trustees	For a term of three years
One Moderator	For a term of three years
Two Planning Board Members	For a term of three years
Two School Committee Members	For a term of three years

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at Town Hall and in other municipal buildings throughout Town seven days, at least, before the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with you doings thereon at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 2nd day of April, 2007

Jerald A. Mayhew, Chairman

Ronald L. Picard, Vice Chairman

Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr.

Richard J. Martinelli

Ann L. Odabashian

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Return of the Warrant

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham by posting attested copies of the same in Town Hall and other municipal buildings throughout the Town, in accordance with Town By-Laws.

Date Posted: April 4, 2007

Richard J. Martinelli
Constable of Bellingham

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

May 1, 2007

(*) Denotes Elected

%

VOTES

OFFICE & CANDIDATES	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	CAST
*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****
SELECTMAN - for 3 years							
1 to be elected							

Jerald A. Mayhew	93	118	125	160	140	636	48%
* Dawn Marie Davies	125	122	133	158	118	656	50%
All Others	1	1	0	0	0	2	0%
BLANKS	3	1	4	7	4	19	1%
TOTAL	222	242	262	325	262	1,313	

TOWN CLERK - for 3 years							
1 to be elected							

* Kathleen M. Harvey	200	216	233	283	229	1,161	88%
All Others	0	0	0	0	1	1	0%
Blanks	22	26	29	42	32	151	12%
TOTAL	222	242	262	325	262	1,313	

CONSTABLE - for 3 years							
4 to be elected							

* Richard J. Martinelli	128	130	156	181	162	757	58%
* William A. Spear, Jr.	124	127	138	178	156	723	55%
* David H. Brown	58	93	117	134	112	514	39%
* Paul J. Kearns	77	97	92	114	93	473	36%
Harold Lynch, Jr.	71	77	61	99	100	408	31%
Paul H. Peter	63	94	113	105	79	454	35%
All Others	0	0	0	1	3	4	0%
Blanks	367	350	371	488	343	1,919	146%
TOTAL	888	968	1,048	1,300	1,048	5,252	

MODERATOR - for 3 years							
1 to be elected							

* Scott A Ambler	169	193	217	262	209	1,050	80%
All Others	2	0	2	2	1	7	1%
Blanks	51	49	43	61	52	256	19%
TOTAL	222	242	262	325	262	1,313	

HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBER - for 5 years							
1 to be elected							

* Ernest A. Taft	195	205	226	267	225	1,118	85%
All Others	0	0	0	0	2	2	0%
Blanks	27	37	36	58	35	193	15%
TOTAL	222	242	262	325	262	1,313	

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

(*) Denotes Elected

May 1, 2007

%
VOTES
CAST

OFFICE & CANDIDATES	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	%
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PLANNING BOARD MEMBER - for 3 years
2 to be elected

* Stephen W. Bartha	97	122	142	121	107	589	45%
* Patricia M. Buckley	129	149	153	152	128	711	54%
Steven D. Choiniere, Sr.	75	89	98	178	137	577	44%
All Others	5	1	2	1	0	9	1%
Blanks	138	123	129	198	152	740	56%
TOTAL	444	484	524	650	524	2,626	

LIBRARY TRUSTEE - for 3 years
2 to be elected

* Michael B. Carr	162	174	184	228	177	925	70%
* Russell E. Lafond	122	141	139	189	149	740	56%
All Others	0	0	0	0	4	4	0%
Blanks	160	169	201	233	194	957	73%
TOTAL	444	484	524	650	524	2,626	

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER - for 3 years
2 to be elected

* Ronald L. Martel	141	140	164	154	129	728	55%
* Francis E. Cartier	70	87	99	185	173	614	47%
Nicole M. Day	52	88	56	57	31	284	22%
Richard V. Dill	63	62	62	104	90	381	29%
Lynnemarie Foley	49	46	71	59	43	268	20%
All Others	0	0	0	1	0	1	0%
Blanks	69	61	72	90	58	350	27%
TOTAL	444	484	524	650	524	2,626	

Registered voters by Precinct	1,943	1,776	1,967	2,154	1,823	9,663
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Votes cast per precinct	222	242	262	325	262	1,313
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% of vote per precinct	11.43%	13.63%	13.32%	15.09%	14.37%	13.59%
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A True Record.

ATTEST:

Kathleen M. Harvey

Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
of MAY 23, 2007 @ 7:30 PM**

ARTICLE 1.

1. OPERATING EXPENSES AND SALARIES

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the various Town Departments for a period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

VOTED: Monies to be raised by taxation unless otherwise noted.

ITEM #			
114	MODERATOR	Elected Salaries	0.00
		Expenses	50.00
122	BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Elected Salaries	6,000.00
		Salaries	51,998.00
		Expenses	36,701.00
123	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	Salaries	149,709.00
		Expenses	7,700.00
131	FINANCE COMMITTEE	Salaries	2,780.00
		Expenses	2,295.00
132	RESERVE FUND	Expenses	100,000.00
135	CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	Salaries	206,069.00
		Expenses	46,100.00
137	TAX ASSESSORS	Appointed Salaries	3,600.00
		Salaries	98,180.00
		Expenses	13,725.00
138	TOWN TREASURER	Salaries	70,687.00
		Expenses	25,225.00
139	TOWN COLLECTOR	Salaries	134,026.00
		Expenses	83,100.00
151	TOWN COUNSEL	Professional Services	85,000.00
152	PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT	Salaries	0.00
		Expenses	0.00
154	MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS	Salaries	65,554.00
		Expenses	155,085.00
156	TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	Expenses	10,000.00
161	TOWN CLERK	Elected Salaries	61,104.00
		Salaries	40,604.00
		Expenses	4,615.00
162	ELECTION & TOWN MEETINGS	Expenses	26,475.00

163	BOARD OF REGISTRARS		
		Salaries	1,400.00
		*Expenses	7,600.00
	<i>* The Board of Registrars is authorized to appoint one of its members, excluding the clerk of the board, to serve as Census Updater and to pay said Registrar \$10.00 per hour, not to exceed \$1,000.00 of the total Expense Budget.</i>		
171	CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
		Salaries	39,140.00
		Expenses	9,668.00
172	PLANNING BOARD		
		Elected Salaries	5,000.00
		Salaries	53,821.00
		Expenses	8,100.00
173	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
		Salaries	7,275.00
		Expenses	796.00
183	DISABILITY COMMISSION		
		Salaries	1,200.00
		Expenses	1,500.00
189	PUBLIC BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE		
		Salaries	89,161.00
		Expenses	199,850.00
190	ON THE JOB INJURY FOR DEDUCTIBLE (On the job)		
		Expenses	62,500.00
191	WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT		
		Salaries	5,000.00
192	EMPLOYEE SICK DAY BUY-BACK FUND		
		Expenses	0.00
193	PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE		
		Expenses	290,000.00
194	RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT		
		Expenses	1,407,883.00
195	MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE		
		Expenses	320,000.00
196	TOWN REPORTS		
		Expenses	3,000.00
197	PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH		
		Expenses	32,000.00
198	INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE		
		Expenses	7,000.00
199	DAMAGE TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY		
		Expenses	1.00
210	POLICE DEPARTMENT		
		Salaries	2,358,774.00
		Expenses	141,900.00
220	FIRE DEPARTMENT		
		Salaries	1,522,762.00
		Expenses	90,200.00
251	TOWN INSPECTOR		
		Salaries	133,867.00
		Expenses	6,670.00
252	SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
		Salaries	3,000.00
		Expenses	3,490.00

253	INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS		
		Salaries	19,993.00
		Expenses	800.00
255	ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR	Salaries	26,222.00
		Expenses	1,003.00
292	ANIMAL CONTROL		
		Salaries	88,843.00
		Expenses	9,700.00
	<i>Animal Control is regionalized with the Town of Franklin and budget costs are shared.</i>		
294	TREE WARDEN		
		Appointed Salaries	6,500.00
		Salaries	3,700.00
		Expenses	10,626.00
299	AUXILIARY POLICE		
		Expenses	5,766.00
300	SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		
		Elected Salaries	5,000.00
		School Dept. Budget	19,962,486.00
302	BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOC. TECH. SCHOOL		
		Expenses	725,766.00
303	SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION		
		Expenses	1,400,000.00
421	HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION		
		Salaries	93,101.00
		Expenses	22,200.00
422	HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE (Road Maintenance)		
		Salaries	454,112.00
		Expenses	264,200.00
423	SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL		
		Salaries	20,000.00
		Expenses	80,000.00
424	STREET LIGHTING		
		Expenses	135,000.00
425	HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE (Motor Vehicles)		
		Expenses	72,000.00
426	GAS & OIL		
		Expenses	164,000.00
433	SOLID WASTE (Recycling)		
		Expenses	2,000.00
439	SANITARY LANDFILL		
		Expenses	5,000.00
491	CEMETERY DEPARTMENT		
		Appointed Salaries	3,600.00
		Expenses	6,300.00
510	BOARD OF HEALTH		
		Appointed Salaries	3,000.00
		Salaries	88,794.00
		Expenses	19,040.00
541	COUNCIL ON AGING		
		Salaries	110,843.00
		Expenses	23,307.00

543	VETERANS' SERVICES	Salaries	3,000.00
		Expenses	19,250.00
549	VETERANS' GRAVE AGENT	Salaries	600.00
		Expenses	250.00
610	LIBRARY	Elected Salaries	600.00
		Salaries	279,693.00
		Expenses	176,200.00
630	PARKS AND RECREATION	Appointed Salaries	3,050.00
		Salaries	47,500.00
		Expenses	52,028.00
650	HISTORICAL COMMISSION	Expenses	5,500.00
651	CULTURAL COUNCIL	Salaries	7,500.00
660	MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS' DAY	Expenses	12,000.00
710	DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT	Expenses	3,235,197.00
715	DEBT SERVICE - INTEREST ON BONDS	Expenses	2,189,803.00
990	TRANSFER TO WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION TRUST FUND	InterFund Transfer	0.00
991	TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST	InterFund Transfer	75,000.00
992	TRANSFER TO GROUP INSURANCE TRUST	InterFund Transfer	5,000,000.00
996	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL INVESTMENT TRUST FUND	Inter-Fund Transfer	0.00
997	TRANSFER TO COMP ABS FUND	Inter-Fund Transfer	0.00

Note: * All travel expenses are paid at the rate of \$.40 per mile.

* No travel expenses shall be paid except upon receipt of vouchers showing dates, expenses incurred and the number of miles traveled.

TOTAL \$43,239,013.00

Funding:

\$370,000.00 from Ambulance Receipts
\$20,559.00 from Title V Receipts
\$300,000.00 from Stabilization Fund
\$300,000.00 from Overlay Surplus

\$42,248,454.00 by TAXATION

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)
(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. TRASH ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Trash Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,484,500.00 for the Trash Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; said funds to be raised by transfer from trash receipts in the following manner:

\$ 24,000.00	for Salaries
\$1,460,500.00	for Expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. WATER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Water Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,681,622.00 for the Water Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; said funds to be raised by transfer from water receipts in the following manner:

\$ 600,002.00	for Salaries
\$1,081,620.00	for Expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. SEWER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sewer Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$655,698.00 for the Sewer Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; said funds to be raised by transfer from sewer receipts in the following manner:

\$106,037.00	for Salaries
\$549,661.00	for Expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. CONVEYANCES AND EASEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out said purposes; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One and 00/100 (\$1.00) Dollar to carry out said purposes, said sum to be raised by Taxation.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One and 00/100 (\$1.00) Dollar and to authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town, said sum to be raised by Taxation.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7. TOWN PROPERTY AUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments thereto.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 8 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: D.P.W. Director)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue, and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director. The Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, are hereby authorized to borrow the required funds and to issue Bonds or Notes of the Town therefore.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. AMEND ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 1 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$512,572.08 by transferring said amounts into various accounts as follows:

AMOUNT	TRANSFERRED FROM	TRANSFER TO
\$25,000.00	Debt Service Short Term Interest	Reserve Fund
\$ 600.00	Free Cash	Assessors Elect/Appt Board
\$ 2,000.00	Free Cash	Assessors Salaries
\$26,000.00	Debt Service Short Term Interest	Municipal Buildings Expenses
\$45,000.00	Debt Service Short Term Interest	OJI-111F Payment
\$95,793.30	School Transportation	School Budget
\$55,000.00	Highway/Const. Salaries	Highway/Const. Expenses
\$50,000.00	Debt Service Interest	Snow & Ice Removal
\$45,000.00	Free Cash	Snow & Ice Removal
\$37,009.00	Encumbrances	Snow & Ice Removal
\$13,991.33	Highway Front End Loader	Snow & Ice Removal
\$ 609.00	DPW Utility/Plow Truck	Snow & Ice Removal
\$11,104.00	Police 2 Marked Cruisers	Snow & Ice Removal
\$ 5,160.00	Animal Control Pickup Truck	Snow & Ice Removal
\$ 1,839.61	Fire Brush Truck	Snow & Ice Removal
\$12,991.00	Police 3 Marked Cruisers	Snow & Ice Removal
\$18,474.84	Property & Liability Insurance	Snow & Ice Removal
\$ 4,000.00	Free Cash	Veterans' Expenses
\$15,000.00	Water Salaries	Water Expenses
\$ 8,000.00	Sewer Expenses	Sewer Salaries
\$40,000.00	Sewer Surplus	Sewer Expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 10. CAPITAL OUTLAY

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which shall not exceed 1.5 million dollars and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.130 carried unanimously.

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,045,215.00 for various Capital purchases and to raise \$145,215.00 by transfer from various accounts as follows:

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT	TRANSFER FROM
Assessors - Revaluation	\$ 45,000.00	Overlay Surplus
Police Department – 2 marked cruisers 1 unmarked cruiser	\$100,215.00	STM 10/11/06 Art. 3 Capital Outlay

ALSO:

D.P.W. – Grove Street Standpipe Rehab	By BORROWING
\$900,000.00	(as listed below)

for the purpose of Grove Street Standpipe Rehabilitation, including inspectional services, and addition of Superior Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) equipment at other Town standpipes, that the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to enter into any and all contracts or agreements as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Article; and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of Nine Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$900,000.00) Dollars under and pursuant to Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended, or any other enabling authority, and to issue Bonds or Notes of the Town therefore, borrowing costs to be paid for from water receipts.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Capital Improvement Com.)

ARTICLE 11. REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to adopt provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2, of the General Laws to allow the following:

1. To allow the Bellingham Public Library Trustees to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from overdue books and video fines and to authorize the use for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$15,000.
2. To allow the Parks Commission to create a special revolving fund from revenue received from the Arcand Park swim program and to authorize the use for swim program expenses not to exceed \$20,000.
3. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from the sale of compost bins and to authorize for the purchase of additional bins, not to exceed \$2,000.
4. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided to open cemetery graves and to make payments for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$7,500.
5. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided for food inspections and to authorize the use for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$35,000.
6. To allow the Bellingham Historical Commission to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$5,000) from revenues received from donations to the Historical Commission and to authorize said funds to be used for operating expenses.
7. To allow the Town Common Trustees to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$25,000 yearly) from revenues received from the "Bank of America Lease" as well as revenues received from rental fees, said fund to be used for payment to temporary or part-time employees, for maintenance expenses and for the purchase of supplies or materials associated with the Town Common.

8. To allow the Board of Selectmen to create a Special Revolving Fund, not to exceed \$35,000, from revenues received from a lease payment from Nextel and to authorize the use of these funds to pay monthly Nextel phone charges as well as monthly digital charges for mobile communications within the Police and Fire Department.
9. To allow the Commission on Disability to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from gifts, grants and fees and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$10,000.
10. To allow the Bellingham Police Department to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from third party vendors hired by the Police Department, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the use of repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, not to exceed \$40,000.
11. To allow the Zoning Board of Appeals to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from Developers of Comprehensive Permits and to authorize the use to cover the cost of hiring outside consultants, not to exceed \$30,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Library Trustees, Parks Commission, D.P.W., Board of Health, Historical Commission, Town Common Trustees, Board of Selectmen, Commission on Disability, Police Department and Zoning Board)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town adopt provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2, of the General Laws to allow the various Town Departments to maintain special revolving funds as to items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, and 9, to increase specific revolving funds as to items 5 and 7 and to create special revolving funds as to items 10 and 11, all from revenue's received and to utilize said funds, all as per the amounts listed and requested as follows:

1. To allow the Bellingham Public Library Trustees to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from overdue books and video fines and to authorize the use for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$15,000.
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7. To allow the Town Common Trustees to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$25,000 yearly) from revenues received from the "Bank of America Lease" as well as revenues received from rental fees, said fund to be used for payment to temporary or part-time employees, for maintenance expenses and for the purchase of supplies or materials associated with the Town Common.
8. To allow the Board of Selectmen to create a Special Revolving Fund, not to exceed \$35,000, from revenues received from a lease payment from Nextel and to authorize the use of these funds to pay monthly Nextel phone charges as well as monthly digital charges for mobile communications within the Police and Fire Department.
9. To allow the Commission on Disability to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from gifts, grants and fees and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$10,000.
10. To allow the Bellingham Police Department to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from third party vendors hired by the Police Department, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the use of repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, not to exceed \$40,000.
11. To allow the Zoning Board of Appeals to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from Developers of Comprehensive Permits and to authorize the use to cover the cost of hiring outside consultants, not to exceed \$30,000.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 12. SPECIAL LEGISLATION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bellingham to petition the Senate and House of Representatives of the Massachusetts General Court to enact special legislation for the Town of Bellingham to establish the following Special Revolving funds herein after described in the Town treasury into which shall be deposited the proceeds of any appropriation, grants, transfers, gifts and/or fees receive by the Town of Bellingham for deposit to said Special Funds. Any income derived from the investment or reinvestment of amounts held in the Special Revolving Fund shall remain with the General Fund and become part of the General Fund investments. The Special Revolving Funds would be the following:

Nextel Revolving Fund	Communications/Public Safety
Bank of America Lease	Town Common Trustees
Bellingham Historical Commission	Historical Commission

or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Chief Financial Officer)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bellingham to petition the Senate and House of Representatives of the Massachusetts General Court to enact special legislation for the Town of Bellingham to establish the following Special Revolving Funds herein after described in the Town treasury into which shall be deposited the proceeds of any appropriation, grants, transfers, gifts and/or fees received by the Town of Bellingham for deposit to said Special Funds.

Any income derived from the investment or reinvestment of amounts held in the Special Revolving Fund shall remain with the General Fund and become part of the General Fund investment. The Special Revolving Funds would be the following:

Nextel Revolving Fund
Bank of America Lease
Bellingham Historical Commission

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 13. TOWN HALL REHABILITATION

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from proceeds generated from the sale of the North School for costs associated with the rehabilitation of the Bellingham Town Hall located at 2 Mechanic Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Bellingham Historical Commission)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.130 carried unanimously.

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$181,500.00 from the proceeds generated by the sale of the North School to the Town Hall Rehabilitation Account for costs associated with the rehabilitation of the Bellingham Town Hall located at 2 Mechanic Street, Bellingham, MA; that the Board of Selectmen are hereby authorized to enter into any and all contracts or agreements as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this article.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Capital Improvement Com)

ARTICLE 14. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS – SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, FUEL STORAGE TANKS & DELEADING DWELLINGS

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of remediating failing residential subsurface sewage disposal systems, underground fuel storage tanks and deleading dwellings with dangerous levels of lead, pursuant to Mass. General Laws, c. 111, section 127B1/2 and Mass. General Laws, c. 80 (Betterments) and to determine how such appropriation should be raised whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or otherwise and if by borrowing, to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes by the town at one time or from time to time; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Health)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.130 carried unanimously.

VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 for purpose of remediating failing residential subsurface sewage disposal systems, underground fuel storage tanks and deleading dwellings with dangerous levels of lead, pursuant to Mass. General Laws, c. 111, section 127B1/2 and Mass. General Laws, c. 80 (Betterments), and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of Two Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$200,000.00) Dollars under and pursuant to c. 44 of the General Laws as amended, or any other enabling authority, and to issue Bonds or Notes of the Town therefore.

Motion carried by a 2/3 voice vote.

(per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997)

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 15. MASS. GENERAL LAW, C. 39, SECTION 23D

To see if the town will vote to accept G.L. c. 39, section 23D, which would permit local board members who miss a single session of an adjudicatory hearing before their board to be able to vote on the matter provided they review the evidence submitted at the missed hearing session and file a certificate to said effect, said provisions to be applicable for all types of local adjudicatory hearings; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: That the Town accept G.L. c. 39, section 23D as written as of this date, which would permit local board members who miss a single session of an adjudicatory hearing before their board to be able to vote on the matter provided they review the evidence submitted at the missed hearing session and file a certificate to said effect, said provisions to be applicable for all types of local adjudicatory hearings.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 16. ZONING BYLAW REVISION – PULASKI BOULEVARD MIXED USE OVERLAY DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw and Zoning Map in order to establish the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District, as follows:

5300. Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District

5310. Purposes and Intent. The purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District are to encourage redevelopment and reuse of existing properties and infill development in the commercial area serving South Bellingham, to protect and enhance property values, to create opportunities for a mix of residential, commercial and other uses, to provide a walkable, pedestrian-friendly environment, and to encourage development that provides significant improvements to the public realm.

5320. Establishment of District. The Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District is hereby established as an overlay district with two sub-districts, A and B, as shown on the map entitled, "Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District," incorporated by reference in the Zoning Bylaw and on file with the Town Clerk.

5330. Relationship to Existing Zoning. In the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District, all requirements of the underlying district(s) shall remain in effect except where these regulations supersede or provide an alternative to such requirements. In the event that an owner desires to redevelop in accordance with the regulations herein, the rules and regulations of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall apply and by filing an application for a Special Permit or Development Plan Review for a development subject to these rules and regulations, the owner shall be deemed to accept and agree to them. Where the provisions of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District are silent on a zoning regulation, the requirements of the underlying district shall apply.

5340. Definitions.

5341. Mixed-Use Building. A building in which the ground floor facing the street is used for retail or other commercial uses permitted as of right or allowed by special permit, and other ground-floor and upper-floor space is designed or intended for residential or office uses.

5342. Mixed-Use Development: Two (2) or more buildings on one lot, with mixed-use buildings facing the street and residential, commercial or mixed-use buildings behind or to the side.

5350. Use Regulations.

5351. Permitted Uses. The following uses are permitted, alone or in any combination in a single building, subject to Development Plan Review under Section 1420 of this Bylaw:

- (a) Mixed-use building.
- (b) Bank, but not including drive-through service.
- (c) Automated teller machines (ATM), where public access is available only from within a building and is operated in connection with other uses in the same building.
- (d) Business or professional office.
- (e) Restaurant, general or limited service, where food service is located entirely within the building or on a patio or outdoor seating area operated in connection with an indoor-service restaurant; up to 1,500 sq. ft. gross floor area.
- (f) Bakery, deli, coffee shop, ice cream shop, sandwich shop, or similar establishment in which all or a majority of the food service is food to be consumed off the premises; but not including drive-through food service.
- (g) Retail sales or service, up to 5,000 sq. ft. gross floor area per individual business establishment, but not including drive-through service.
- (h) Inn or bed and breakfast facility.
- (i) Day care center licensed under M.G.L. c.28A, Section 9.
- (j) Municipal use.
- (k) Club or lodge.
- (l) Uses exempt under M.G.L. c.40A, Section 3.
- (m) Accessory uses customarily incidental to a permitted use.

5352. Uses Authorized by Special Permit. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit for the following uses or any combination thereof:

- (a) Mixed-use development.
- (b) Townhouse dwelling or multi-family dwelling.
- (c) Restaurant exceeding 1,500 sq. ft. gross floor area.
- (d) Retail sales or service exceeding 5,000 sq. ft. gross floor area per individual business establishment, up to a maximum of:
 - (1) 15,000 sq. ft. in Sub-District A
 - (2) 10,000 sq. ft. in Sub-District B
- (e) Medical offices or medical clinic.
- (f) Veterinary office.

- (g) Drive-through service for a pharmacy or bank, including drive-through access to an automated teller machine mounted on a side or rear wall of a bank building.
- (h) Accessory uses customarily incidental to a special permitted use.

5353. Special Mixed Use Requirements

- (a) In a mixed-use building, retail or other commercial uses shall occupy not less than 30% of the floor area of any building(s) facing the street, and the ground floor of the front façade shall be occupied only by retail or commercial uses.
- (b) Residential uses may be located above the ground floor or at grade, provided that space occupied by commercial uses complies with (a) above and entrances to any at-grade residential units are on the side or rear of the building(s).

5354. Prohibited Uses

- (a) Drive-through food service establishment.
- (b) Auto, boat, or farm equipment sales or rental.
- (c) Retail sale of gasoline.
- (d) Stand-alone automated teller machine (ATM).
- (e) Funeral home.
- (f) Adult uses.
- (g) Any use not otherwise specified within this bylaw as being permitted as of right or permissible by special permit.

5355. Use Variances. Use variances shall not be allowed in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District.

5360. Intensity of Use Regulations.

5361. Basic Requirements. Development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall conform to the following dimensional requirements and the additional requirements in Subsections 5362-5367, as applicable:

	Sub-District	
	A	B
Minimum Contiguous Lot Area (Sq. Ft.)	30,000	20,000
Minimum Lot Area/Dwelling Unit	See 5363	See 5363
Minimum Frontage (Feet)	100	100
Yard Setbacks (Feet)		
Front Minimum	10	10
Front Maximum	30	20
Side Minimum	10	10
Rear Minimum	20	20
Min. Open Space % Lot	15%	15%
Maximum Height (Feet)	38	38
Maximum Building Coverage	35%	35%

5362. Maximum Front Yard Setback Exception. The Maximum Front Yard Setback in Subsection 5361 shall not apply to conversion of a building lawfully existing on the effective date of this bylaw.

5363. Maximum Number of Dwelling Units.

- (a) Mixed-Use Building. The maximum number of units in a mixed-use building shall not exceed one unit per 10,000 sq. ft. of lot area, except that by Special Permit from the Planning Board, the maximum number of units may be increased to one unit per 5,000 sq. ft. of lot area.
- (b) Townhouse or Multi-Family Use. The maximum number of units in a townhouse or multi-family development shall not exceed one unit per 5,000 sq. ft. of lot area.

5364. Height Measurement. Building height shall be measured as the vertical distance from the mean of the finished grade adjoining the building to (1) the top of the roof for flat roofs, (2) the deck lines for mansard roofs, and (3) the average height between eaves and ridge for gable, hip, and gambrel roofs.

5365. Separation of Buildings. The minimum separation between two or more detached buildings on the same lot shall be 20 feet.

5366. Minimum Open Space. The minimum open space required under Subsection 5361 may consist of land in its natural state or landscaped areas, and shall not include buildings, or areas for parking, storage, or display. Required open space shall be designed and intended for appropriate public use. In order to be included in the open space calculation under Subsection 5361, the open space shall be usable, unobstructed space that is not used for vehicle parking, vehicle circulation, loading spaces, or pedestrian pathways within vehicle parking lots. In addition, not more than 50% of any landscaped buffer required under Subsection 5387 may be counted toward the open space calculation for purposes of Subsection 5361.

5367. Special Permit Incentives. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit to increase the Maximum Building Coverage in order to encourage one or more of the following public benefits: the provision of consolidated or shared access or shared parking for two or more abutting parcels, subject to a legally enforceable and recordable agreement or restriction in a form acceptable to the Planning Board; or for significant public realm improvements above and beyond requirements that must be met under Section 1420, such as but not limited to landscaped pedestrian walkways or a pedestrian plaza shared by at least two abutting properties, public open space or a public park, riverfront access, or provision of other public improvements in the district in accordance with the Town's capital improvements plan, master plan or applicable area plan.

5370. Procedures.

5371. Development Plan Approval. No building permit shall be issued for any use or structure under the regulations of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District except in conformance with a plan approved by the Planning Board under Section 1420 of this Bylaw. The Planning Board shall base its decision on the Decision Standards in Subsection 1425 and the following additional determinations:

- (a). The proposal could not reasonably be altered to provide greater consistency with the Development Standards in Subsection 5380 below.

5372. Special Permits. The Planning Board shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority for uses in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District. Application procedures and decision criteria shall be based upon the following:

- (a) The considerations in Section 1500 of this Bylaw; and
- (b) The degree to which the proponent's plan meets the Development Standards in Subsection 5380 and addresses the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District as set forth in Subsection 5310.

5380. Development Standards. The following standards apply to new development or to expansion, exterior alteration or reconstruction of existing buildings in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District, and shall be an integral part of Development Plan Approval under Section 1420. The Planning Board may adopt supplemental Design Guidelines to implement this section.

5381. Objectives. Development that meets the following objectives will generally be deemed consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District:

- (a) Provides appropriate scale, design, operation and visual character for a pedestrian-oriented business and mixed-use district;
- (b) Consolidates and minimizes curb cuts, subordinates parking to building form, and provides exemplary architectural design;
- (c) Preserves and reuses existing buildings wherever possible;
- (d) Provides a mix of goods and services; and
- (e) Encourages pedestrian and bicycle access.

5382. Placement of Buildings. At least 60% of the front side of a lot facing the street, measured in percentage of the linear feet of lot frontage, shall be occupied by buildings oriented toward the street or by a pedestrian plaza located within 30 feet of the street sideline in Sub-District A or 25 feet of the street sideline in Sub-District B. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit to approve an alternative design that is consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District.

5383. Building Design.

- (a) **Orientation.** The principal building shall be oriented on the lot parallel with the front setback line to establish and preserve a consistent building line, with primary entrances oriented toward the street. Where appropriate, a building may be oriented around a courtyard or respond in design to a prominent feature, such as a corner location.
- (b) **Materials.**
 - (1) A building's front façade shall be faced with materials used in traditional New England architecture, such as brick, granite, wood clapboard and shingles.
 - (2) The main elements of the architectural treatment of the building's front façade, including the materials used, shall be continued around all sides of the building that are visible from a street or a pedestrian plaza.
- (c) **Vertical Design.** Buildings shall have a vertical orientation, to be achieved in one of the following ways: (1) the building has a greater height than width, or (2) the façades and roof lines of the building are designed to reduce massing and bulk so that it appears as a group of smaller masses with a vertical orientation. Wherever possible, the height of the first floor of a commercial building should be taller than the upper floors and expressed through façade treatments that convey the functional diversity within the building.

- (d) Massing. Buildings more than 45 feet in width along the street frontage shall be divided into increments not more than 45 feet wide through articulation of the façade, such as variations in building setbacks, roof lines or materials; window bays; and multiple entrances.
- (e) Rooflines. Roofs shall be pitched with a minimum slope of 6:12 and a maximum slope of 12:12. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit for a flat roof, provided that the flat roof structure is capped by an articulated parapet design that acts as a structural expression of the building façade and its materials, visible from all sides of the building, or the flat roof structure is a green roof system with green roof plants suited for the local climate. A roof shall, at a minimum, have articulated parapets concealing flat roofs and rooftop equipment (such as HVAC units) which are visible from adjoining streets or properties. Parapets or facades shall be designed to give the appearance of three or more roof slope planes.
- (f) Windows and Transparency.
 - (1) For commercial or mixed-use buildings, at least thirty (30) percent of any ground floor façade that is visible from, fronting on, and located within sixty (60) feet of Pulaski Boulevard, South Main Street, Wrentham Street or Paine Street shall be comprised of windows with clear glass allowing views into the interior. Display windows may be used to meet up to one-half of this requirement.
 - (2) In a commercial or mixed-use building, at least 15 percent of a side or rear façade facing a public right of way, parking area, or open space shall be transparent.
 - (3) Reflective glass, glass tinted more than 40%, and highly reflective surfaces shall not be used on building fronts.
 - (4) Windows on the upper floors of the street façade shall be at least 4 feet tall and 2.5 feet wide, and shall have a ratio of height to width between 1.5:1 and 2:1.
- (g) Location of Garage Doors. Garage doors or loading docks are prohibited in the front façade of any building facing the street. No detached garage shall be located closer to the front lot line than the front of the principal building or structure on the lot.

5384. Drive-Through Businesses.

- (a) Business uses authorized by Special Permit to include drive-through service shall be limited to one drive-up window or device, one drive-up lane not exceeding ten (10) feet in width, and one bypass lane not exceeding ten (10) feet in width.
- (b) The maximum width of the paved area at the drive-up window or device shall be twenty-four (24) feet, including the bypass lane.
- (c) The drive-up window or device shall be located to the rear or side of the building. No drive-up window or device shall be located in front of the building or within the front yard setback.

5385. Outdoor Merchandise Display. Outdoor display of merchandise or goods is permitted subject to the following requirements:

- (a) Not more than one outdoor display is permitted per business.

- (b) The outdoor display shall not extend more than three (3) feet from the face of the building.
- (c) The outdoor display shall not reduce the clear pathway on the sidewalk to less than four (4) feet. If the sidewalk is four feet wide or less, no outdoor display shall be permitted.
- (d) All outdoor display must be brought inside by the end of each business day.

5386. **Storage and Utility Areas.** Outdoor storage, trash collection or compaction, or ground level service and utility equipment, including air conditioning equipment, electric utility boxes or satellite dishes, shall be screened from view from streets and adjacent lots.

5387. **Landscaped Buffer.** Development on a lot contiguous with a lot in a Residential District that contains a residence, or abutting any lot with an existing residential use, shall provide a landscaped buffer along all shared boundaries. The landscaping shall include at least one shade tree or two ornamental trees and five shrubs for each 30 feet in length of the buffer, planted within 15 feet of the property line abutting the Residential District or the residential lot, as applicable. A minimum of one-third of the trees and shrubs must be evergreen. Plantings need not be evenly spaced. As part of Development Plan Review, the Planning Board may approve an alternative landscaping plan that results in equal or greater screening to abutting residential properties, in the opinion of the Planning Board. Landscaped buffer areas may count toward up to 50% of the minimum open space requirement for the site as set forth in Subsection 5361.

5388. **Water Conservation.** Landscaping shall consist of non-invasive, drought-resistant plantings that include trees, flowers, shrubs, succulents and ornamental grasses. High-water use turf shall not exceed 20% of all landscaped areas or open space on the site. All outdoor irrigation systems shall include moisture sensors and timing devices that comply with current outdoor water restrictions. Rainwater harvesting systems are encouraged where feasible.

5389. **Waivers.** The Planning Board may, by Special Permit, modify or waive the Development Standards in Subsections 5383 (a), (b), (e), (f)(3) or (f)(4), or 5387 if it determines that due to existing or unique conditions on the lot, the project's location, or alternative site designs, strict conformance with the standards above would unreasonably restrict the use or reuse of the property or would be detrimental to the orderly development of the district.

- (a) The Planning Board may request that the proponent provide all information necessary to determine the potential impacts of any proposed modification or waiver of the above standards. Information that may be requested by the Planning Board includes but is not limited to façade illustrations or photographs, in addition to the requirements of Section 1420 of this Bylaw.
- (b) In granting such modifications or waivers, the Planning Board may impose conditions it deems necessary to protect the public interest and to insure that the development will be consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District and the objectives set forth in Section 5310.

53810. **Sign Regulations.** Signs in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall comply with Section 3100 and this Subsection. Where there is a conflict, this Subsection shall govern.

(a) General Requirements.

- (1) The total area of all signs on a single lot shall not exceed the lesser of (A) 1.5 square feet for every one (1) lineal foot of lot frontage, or (B) ten (10) percent of the area of the front façade of the building.
- (2) Each business may have up to three (3) signs meeting the standards for individual sign types herein, with aggregate area not exceeding (A) 10 percent of the area of its portion of the front façade of the building or (B) twelve (12) square feet, whichever is greater.
- (3) Wall signs, projecting signs, awning signs, directory signs and window signs are allowed in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District. Free-standing or pole signs and monument signs are prohibited in the Sub-District A but are permitted in Sub-District B.
- (4) No sign attached to a building shall be located higher than the sills of the second-story windows. For a single-story building, no sign shall be placed higher than one (1) foot below the building eaves.

(b) Sign Illumination.

- (1) Signs may be illuminated only by a stationary, external, white or off-white light source. Internally illuminated signs are prohibited.
- (2) The light source shall be concealed or hidden so that it is not visible to pedestrians or vehicles, or from abutting properties. Illumination shall be directed primarily onto the sign and maintained at a sufficiently low intensity and brightness to avoid glare.
- (3) Signs may be illuminated only during business hours and for 30 minutes before and after the hours of operation of the business advertised thereon.

(c) Wall Signs.

- (1) The area of a wall sign shall not exceed one (1) square foot per one (1) lineal foot of wall occupied by the business to which it pertains.
- (2) The width of a wall sign shall not exceed one (1) foot per two (2) lineal feet of wall occupied by the business to which it pertains.
- (3) The height of a wall sign, measured from the bottom of the display area to the top of display area, shall not exceed two (2) feet.
- (4) A wall sign shall not project more than one (1) foot from the wall to which it is attached.

(d) Projecting Signs.

- (1) The area of each face of a flat projecting sign shall not exceed eight (8) square feet.

- (2) The total area of a three-dimensional projecting sign shall be determined by enclosing the largest cross-section of the sign in a regular geometric shape, or combination of regular geometric shapes, with a total area of not more than nine (9) square feet.
- (3) A projecting sign shall be hung at a right angle to the building, shall extend no more than five (5) feet from the building face, and be separated from the building face by no more than one (1) foot.
- (4) The supporting framework for a projecting sign shall be in proportion to the size of the sign.
- (5) A projecting sign shall be located no higher than the sill of the second-story windows. For a one-story building, the sign shall be no higher than twelve (12) feet above a sidewalk or pedestrian way or fifteen (15) feet above an alley or driveway.
- (6) A projecting sign shall have a minimum clearance of eight (8) feet above grade when located adjacent to or projecting over a pedestrian way. If projecting over an alley or driveway, the clearance must be at least thirteen (13) feet. A projecting sign that overhangs a public way or a public sidewalk shall be covered by a public liability insurance policy which names the Town of Bellingham as an insured party.

(e) Awning Signs.

- (1) An awning sign shall consist of letters or symbols affixed to an awning in a position parallel or perpendicular to the wall on which the awning is mounted. Letters and symbols on an awning sign shall be flush with the surface of the awning.
- (2) The maximum display area of an awning sign shall be twelve (12) square feet for surfaces positioned parallel to the building wall, and six (6) square feet for surfaces positioned perpendicular to the wall.
- (3) Awning signs shall not be illuminated, and awnings shall not have interior illumination.

(f) Directory Signs.

- (1) A directory sign shall not exceed fifteen (15) feet in total height and shall not exceed the height of the principal building on the lot.
- (2) The total area of a directory sign shall not exceed fifty (50) square feet, including the building identifier and all individual business signs.
- (3) Individual business identification signs on the directory sign shall not exceed four (4) square feet in area. For two-sided directory signs, the maximum area shall be four (4) square feet per side.
- (4) The individual business identification signs on the directory sign shall be counted as one of the three (3) allowed signs per business.

(g) Window Signs.

- (1) Window signs shall not exceed twenty (20) percent of the window area in which they are displayed or twelve (12) square feet, whichever is less.
- (2) Signs hung inside windows shall be made of clear materials with lettering painted on them.

(h) Free-Standing Signs and Monument Signs (Sub-District B Only).

- (1) Free-standing (pole) signs shall not exceed eight (8) feet in total height. The maximum sign area of free-standing signs shall be 1.5 times the height of the sign, not to exceed twelve (12) square feet. For two-sided signs, where the sign faces are parallel to each other, each side may have the maximum sign area.
- (2) Monument signs shall not exceed four (4) feet in height or twelve (12) square feet in sign area.
- (3) Free-standing and monument signs shall be centered in a landscaped area with an area (in square feet) at least equal to the height of the sign (in feet) multiplied by 50.
- (4) No free-standing or monument sign shall be located closer to a property line than the height of the sign or five (5) feet, whichever is greater.

5390. Internal Circulation, Parking and Loading Requirements. Section 3300 shall apply to development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District except where modified by the following requirements:

5391. Access and Internal Circulation Driveways.

- (a) Each lot may have one access driveway through its frontage. One additional access driveway for one-way traffic may be provided for each 200 feet of frontage, and all such additional access driveways shall be separated by at least 200 feet, measured from the centerline of each access driveway.
- (b) The minimum width of an access drive shall be 12 feet for one-way use and 20 feet for two-way use. The maximum width shall be 16 feet for one-way use and 24 feet for two-way use.
- (c) When MassHighway has jurisdiction to issue a curb cut permit, these requirements shall apply to the extent that they do not conflict with MassHighway requirements.

5392. Off-Street Parking and Loading Spaces. Off-street parking and loading spaces shall be provided for each use in the development in accordance with Section 3320, except as follows:

(a) Townhouse or other multifamily units:

- (1) Studio units: 1 space per unit;
- (2) One-bedroom units: 1.5 spaces per unit
- (3) Units with two or more bedrooms: 2 spaces per unit, except that for two-bedroom units located above the ground floor, the minimum number of parking spaces shall be an average of 1.5 spaces per unit.

- (b) Restaurant: 1 space per four seats based on the legal seating capacity of the facility.
- (c) Retail: 3 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area for the first 10,000 sq. ft.; 2.5 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. for more than 10,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
- (d) Professional or business office, bank or post office: 3 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. gross floor area for first-floor offices, an average of 2.5 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. gross floor area for upper-story offices.
- (e) Exceptions. The minimum number of off-street parking spaces shall be 85% of the number otherwise required under this Subsection for (1) shared parking that is subject to a legally enforceable agreement or restriction, or (2) a building in which at least 40 percent of the total floor area is on the second story or higher.
- (f) Maximum Parking Standard. Off-street parking located on the premises shall not exceed 1 space per 200 sq. ft. of gross floor area, except that for places of public assembly or restaurants with function room space, the maximum number of spaces shall not exceed 1 space per 100 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
- (g) Off-Street Loading. An off-street loading space is prohibited within 35 feet of any lot in a Residential District or any lot with an existing residential use unless the loading space is located wholly within an enclosed building, or is screened by a wall, hedge or fence not less than six feet in height.

5393. Reserve or Increased Parking. As part of Development Plan Approval under Section 1420, the Planning Board may authorize a decrease or require an increase in the number of off-street parking spaces, following the procedures and decision standards in Section 3300 of this Bylaw.

5394. Bicycle Facilities. Bicycle parking shall be provided for multi-family, mixed-use and nonresidential uses, as follows: at least 1 space per two dwelling units, and at least 1 space for each 10 vehicular parking spaces for nonresidential uses. All required bicycle facilities shall be in accordance with the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals Bike Parking Guidelines.

5395. Parking Area Design and Location.

- (a) All off-street parking shall be located to the rear or side of the principal building on the lot. No parking shall be located in the front yard setback or common open space, nor closer to the front lot line than the front line of the principal structure, nor between any pedestrian plaza and the street or within five feet of any pedestrian plaza. However, the Planning Board may waive these requirements for existing parking lots serving existing buildings as currently used.
- (b) Pedestrian crosswalks shall be provided in appropriate locations and shall be clearly recognizable through the use of raised, textured or color surface treatments in order to aid pedestrians in crossing traffic within a parking area.
- (c) Each required off-street parking or loading space shall have adequate access to a street either directly or via a drive.

53100. Exemption from Major Residential Development and Special Residential Use Regulations. Development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall not be subject to Section 4300, Major Residential Development, nor Section 4400,

Special Residential Uses, except that any development of 50 or more dwelling units shall be subject to Section 3400, Major Proposals.

53110. Subdivision Control. Where applicable, development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall comply with the Planning Board's Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land pursuant to the Subdivision Control Law, G.L. c.41, Sections 81K through 81GG. Planning Board approval of a Development Plan under Section 1420 or a Special Permit shall neither oblige the Planning Board to approve any related definitive plan nor substitute for such approval.

53120. Separability. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Bylaw shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

Or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Planning Board)

VOTED: By hand count.

Yes - 113, No - 73, Total - 186

2/3 of 186 being 124, Motion Failed

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Planning Board)

ARTICLE 17. ZONING BYLAW REVISION – AS-BUILT REQUIREMENTS

To see if the town will vote to accept the following changes to the Zoning Bylaws:

Delete paragraph 1422(e) in its entirety and replace it with the following:

1422(e) "As-Built" Information

As-built information shall be provided to the Department of Public Works after installation of all underground utilities (water, sewer, drain, gas, electric, communications, etc.) and site construction (roads, access ways, driveways, parking, landscaping, lighting, etc.) noted on the approved plans or referenced in the decisions or special permits issued by the Planning Board, and prior to issuance of certificate(s) of occupancy.

As-built information shall consist of both a certification from a registered land surveyor, professional land surveyor, or professional engineer that all construction has been completed in accordance with the approved Development Plan, and a stamped As-Built Plan (Record Drawing) showing the location of all buildings and structures, all utilities, including septic system, leaching area, underground piping, vent pipes, drainage facilities, water wells, well piping, electric, gas, and telecommunications lines showing that all construction has been completed in accordance with the approved Development Plan;

or act or do anything relation thereto.

(By: DPW & Planning Board)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town accept the following changes to the Zoning Bylaws:

Delete paragraph 1422(e) in its entirety and replace it with the following:

1422(e) "As-Built" Information

As-built information shall be provided to the Department of Public Works after installation of all underground utilities (water, sewer, drain, gas, electric,

communications, etc.) and site construction (roads, access ways, driveways, parking, landscaping, lighting, etc.) noted on the approved plans or referenced in the decisions of special permits issued by the Planning Board, and prior to issuance of certificate(s) of occupancy.

As-built information shall consist of both a certification from a registered land surveyor, professional land surveyor, or professional engineer that all construction has been completed in accordance with the approved Development Plan, and a stamped As-Built Plan (Record Drawing) showing the location of all buildings and structures, all utilities, including septic system, leaching area, underground piping, vent pipes, drainage facilities, water wells, well piping, electric, gas, and telecommunications lines showing that all construction has been completed in accordance with the approved Development Plan.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Planning Board)

ARTICLE 18. PULASKI BOULEVARD PROJECT LAND AND EASEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to accept gifts, purchase, or take by eminent domain, land, permanent roadway, utility, and drainage easements, slope easements, and temporary construction easements as shown on the plans titled "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department Roadway Reconstruction of Pulaski Boulevard in the Town of Bellingham, Norfolk County Preliminary Right-of-Way Plans – 75% Submission" dated July 11, 2006, revised March, 2007 drafted by BETA Group, Inc. and to raise and appropriate or transfer funds to complete said land or easement acquisition, related to the Pulaski Boulevard Roadway Improvement Project (Orchard Street to the Franklin town line); or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.130 carried unanimously.

VOTED: That the Town allow the Selectmen to accept a gift, purchase, or take eminent domain, the following:

- Permanent Roadway Easements:
 - E-1, being approximately 111 square feet,
 - E-2, being approximately 1,360 square feet,
 - E-3, being approximately 1,204 square feet,
 - E-4, being approximately 815 square feet,
 - E-5, being approximately 1,940 square feet,
- Permanent Drainage Easements:
 - D-1, being approximately 53,640 square feet,
 - D-4, being approximately 10,823 square feet,
 - D-7, being approximately 601 square feet,
 - D-8, being approximately 8,050 square feet,
 - D-9, being approximately 232 square feet,
 - D-11, being approximately 17,630 square feet,
 - D-12, being approximately 420 square feet,
 - D-13, being approximately 13,967 square feet,
 - D-14, being approximately 2,240 square feet,
 - D-15, being approximately 1,336 square feet,
- Temporary Construction Easements:
 - TE-22, being approximately 5,802 square feet,
 - TE-24, being approximately 489 square feet,
 - TE-28, being approximately 6,066 square feet,

- o TE-103, being approximately 3,326 square feet,
- o TE-117, being approximately 10,335 square feet,
- o TE-118, being approximately 3,062 square feet,
- o TE-137, being approximately 3,944 square feet,
- o TE-141, being approximate 209 square feet,

all related to the Pulaski Boulevard Roadway Improvement project (Orchard Street to the Franklin town line) and as shown on the plan titled "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department Roadway Reconstruction of Pulaski Boulevard in the Town of Bellingham, Norfolk County Preliminary Right-of-Way Plans" May 2, 2007 latest revision drafted by BETA Group, Inc. and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand and 00/100 (\$158,000.00) Dollars by transfer of One Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 (\$150,000.00) Dollars from Article 18 of May 2006 Town Meeting and Eight Thousand and 00/100 (\$8,000.00) Dollars by transfer of the Pulaski Boulevard Project Easements account # 100-911-69235 (Article 9 of the October 2006 Town Meeting) to complete said easement acquisition and related legal and recording costs.

Motion carried by a 2/3 voice vote.

(per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997)

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 19. BELLSTONE DRIVE ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the Deed thereto, identified as Bellstone Drive, being shown on a Plan entitled, "Elm Estates, Plan of Land in Bellingham, Mass. dated December 30, 1985, last revised date of March 5, 1986, drawn by G. R. Brisson Registered Land Surveyor, Bellingham, Mass., duly recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 670A, 670B, 670C, 670D, 670E, 670F of 1986, Plan Book 337 and as more particularly described in a deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW)

VOTED: Voted that the Town accept as a Public Way a road, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the Deed thereto, identified as Bellstone Drive, being shown on a Plan entitled "Elm Estates, Plan of Land in Bellingham, Mass. Dated December 30, 1985, last revised date of March 5, 1986, drawn by G. R. Brisson Registered Land Surveyor, Bellingham, Mass., duly recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 670A, 670B, 670C, 670D, 670E, 670F of 1986, Plan Book 337 and as more particularly described in a deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Conservation Com)

(Recommended by D.P.W.)

(Recommended by Police Department)

ARTICLE 20. SCENIC ROAD DESIGNATION – HIGH STREET

To see if the town will vote in accordance with Chapter 15, Section 15.03.030 to designate High Street as a Scenic Road; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(Petition By: James R. Dunlea
57 High Street)

VOTED: That the Town vote in accordance with Chapter 15, Section 15.03.032 to designate High Street as a Scenic Road.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)
(Recommended by Conservation Com)
(Recommended by Planning Board)
(Recommended by Historical Commission)

(Not Recommended by Finance Committee)
(Not Recommended by D.P.W.)
(Not Recommended by Police Department)

ARTICLE 21. CONCEPT PLAN APPROVAL

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to grant approval of a Concept Plan as defined in Section 3400 of the Bellingham Zoning By-Law. The Concept Plan will allow for the construction of an additional eighteen (18) residential units all of which shall be for persons 55 years of age or older. All of these additional units will be located on land presently zoned for multi-family use, all of said land being described as follows: Lot 1 on a plan of land recorded in the Norfolk Registry of Deeds at Plan 289 of 2001 in Plan Book 474, being further described as follows: beginning at a point on the easterly side of Hixon Street and said point being the southwesterly angle of the parcel herein described and the northwesterly angle of lot 2; thence N. 12 degrees 48' 15" E., 83.59 feet to a point; thence N. 12 degrees 45' 49" E., 73.28 feet to a drill hole in the wall; thence, N. 13 degrees 00' 59" E., 101.05 feet to a point at land now or formerly of Bradely W. Wright; thence S. 78 degrees 57' 50" E., 230.00 feet to a point; thence N. 13 degrees 03' 19" E., 175.00 feet to a point at land now or formerly of one Hamijian; thence S. 78 degrees 56' 42" E., 500.26 feet passing through a drill hole to a land court bound set in the wall; thence, S. 77 degrees 05' 07" E., 122.77 feet to a lead plug set in the corner of walls; thence S. 12 degrees 48' 02" W., 234.08 feet to a point at Lot 2 as shown on said Plan; thence, S. 83 degrees 27' 57" W., 530.62 feet to a point; thence, S 88 degrees 25' 56" W., 243.43 feet to a point; thence N. 01 degrees 41' 14" E., 37.52 feet to a point; thence N. 88 degrees 18' 46" W., 112.18 feet to a point of the easterly side line of Hixon Street, being the point and place of the beginning. Said Lot 1 contains 6.17 acres of land, more or less, according to said Plan. Said Lot 1 is subject to a "Septic Easement Area 2.29 Acres" as shown on said Plan. Said land is also identified as Parcel 23-6-1 on the Assessor's Maps of the Town of Bellingham. For title, see Deed dated May 16, 1985 recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deed in Book 6672, Page 297; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Bradley W. Wright, Trustee
K & S Realty Trust

VOTED: Motion failed.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)
(Not Recommended by Planning Board)

ARTICLE 22. SALE OF LAND JUDY LANE

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to sell a portion of the existing right of way of Judy Lane to the abutter of that property Mr. James Cerone and Mrs. Lauren Cerone; said land as shown on the plan prepared by Dunn & McKenzie, Inc. titled Plan of Land in Bellingham, MA and dated July 26, 2006; said vote is subject to the payment of all cost of deed preparation and recording; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By James & Lauren Cerone
19 Judy Lane)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell a portion of the existing right of way of July Lane to the abutter of that property Mr. & Mrs. James Cerone for \$1.00 said land as shown on plan prepared by Dunn & McKenzie Inc. entitled

"Plan of Land in Bellingham, MA" and dated July 26, 2006; said vote is subject to the payment of all cost of deed and plan preparation and recording.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by D.P.W.)

ARTICLE 23. PENNY LANE ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the deed thereto, identified as Penny Lane, being shown on a Plan entitled "Weston Estates", dated July 1, 1997, revised through April 5, 1998, prepared by McKenzie Engineering Group, Inc., duly recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan #90A of 8 in Plan Book #463 of 1999 and as more particularly described on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Gerald Lorusso)

VOTED: Passed over.

(Not Recommended by Planning Board)

(Not Recommended by Conservation Com)

(Not Recommended by D.P.W.)

ARTICLE 24. BUFFY ROAD ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the deed thereto, identified as Buffy Road, being shown on a Plan entitled "Weston Estates", dated July 1, 1997, revised through April 5, 1998, prepared by McKenzie Engineering Group, Inc. duly recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan #90B of 8 in Plan Book #463, of 1999 and as more particularly described on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Gerald Lorusso)

VOTED: Passed over.

(Not Recommended by Planning Board)

(Not Recommended by Conservation Com)

(Not Recommended by D.P.W.)

ARTICLE 25. ACORN STREET/WALNUT STREET

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to accept a gift or take by friendly eminent domain that area shown as Walnut Street and Acorn Street and all appurtenances and easements pertaining to same, said streets are shown on a Plan entitled "'Country Club Estates II" Amendment to Definitive Subdivision for Foresight Enterprises, Inc., Bellingham, MA, September, 1999 Revised 02-07-2000" filed with the Land Registration Office for the Registry District of Norfolk County as Plan no. 39396-B, with Certificate of Title No. 154936 in Book 775, further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to vote to accept the same as Public Ways in the Town of Bellingham; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Foresight Enterprises, Inc.)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain that area shown as Walnut Street and Acorn Street and all appurtenances and easements pertaining to same, said streets being shown on a plan entitled "'Country Club Estates II" Amendment to Definitive Subdivision for Foresight Enterprises, Inc.,

Bellingham, MA, September 1999 Revised 02-07-2000" filed with the Land Registration Office for the Registry District of Norfolk County as Plan No. 39396-B, with Certificate of Title No. 154936 in Book 775. Said taking to be subject to the payment of all costs, expenses and awards associated therewith and that the Board is further authorized to accept the streets as public ways in the Town of Bellingham.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 26. SALE OF WATER TO MENDON

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement or agreements with the Town of Mendon to sell potable water; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: By hand count.

Yes – 38, No – 48. Motion Failed.

(Not Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 27. UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Finance Committee)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum \$4,258.22 for the payment of certain unpaid bills as hereinafter listed:

Payment to Department	Amount Requested	Funding/Transfer from
Deutsch-Williams (ZBA)	\$851.00	Free Cash
Woonsocket Wastewater Treatment Plant (Sewer Dept)	\$3,372.22	Sewer Surplus
Walter Armstrong (Police Dept)	\$35.00	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 PM

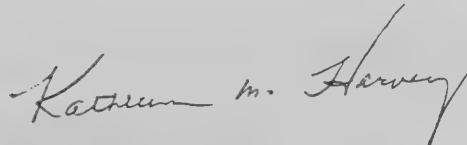
Attendance:

P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	TOTAL
79	50	42	48	56	275

No quorum required.

A true record.

ATTEST:



Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

of

OCTOBER 10, 2007

at

7:30 PM

ARTICLE 1. AMEND ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the 2007 May Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 1 of the 2007 May Annual Town Meeting by raising the sum of \$184,000.00 as follows:

\$7,500.00 by Taxation
\$176,500.00 by transfer from Free Cash

and transferring said sums into various sources within Article 1, as follows:

<u>Transferred To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Transferred From</u>
Board of Assessors – Salary Acct. (Board of Assessors)	\$7,500.00	Taxation
Group Insurance Trust (BOS)	\$125,000.00	Free Cash
Street Lighting (BOS)	\$25,000.00	Free Cash
MIS Expenses (CFO)	\$6,500.00	Free Cash
ZBA Expenses (ZBA)	\$20,000.00	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. CAPITAL OUTLAY

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which shall not exceed 3.0 million dollars and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs, and costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.103 carried unanimously.

VOTED:

Unanimously voted that the Town raise the sum of \$1,301,750.00:

\$75,000.00 from Overlay Surplus,
\$733,000.00 by transfer from Free Cash
\$193,750.00 by Borrowing
\$300,000.00 by transfer from Water Surplus

and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town and to transfer said sums into accounts as follows:

<u>Transferred To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Transferred From</u>
Financial Software Upgrade (CFO)	\$75,000.00	Overlay Surplus
Roadway and Drainage Improvements of Town Accepted Streets (DPW)	\$550,000.00	Free Cash
Stone Street, Farm Street and Hartford Ave. Water System Improvements (DPW)	\$300,000.00	Water Surplus
Fire Station Roof Replacement (Fire Dept.)	\$120,000.00	Free Cash
Keough Admin. Roof Replacement (With 20 Year Warranty) (School Dept.)	\$193,750.00	Borrow
School Facility Audit (School Dept.)	\$63,000.00	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Capital Improvement Committee)

ARTICLE 3. NON-CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES

(Expenditures of Less Than \$50,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which shall not exceed \$1,000,000 and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase of various non-capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.130 carried unanimously.

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$350,705.85 as follows:

\$262,300.00 from Free Cash

20,000.00 from Water Surplus

\$50,000.00 from Overlay Surplus

\$18,405.85 from the following:

\$608.80 from Cemetery Expendable Trust
\$1,300.00 from Cemetery Maintenance Gift
\$16,315.00 from sale of cemetery lots
\$91.91 from E. Whitney Cemetery Trust
\$90.14 from Etta Metcalf Cemetery,

and transfer said sums as follows:

<u>Transferred To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Transferred From</u>
Marked Police Cruiser (Aux. Police Dept.)	\$31,000.00	Free Cash
Copy Machine (BOS)	\$15,000.00	Free Cash
GASB 45 Actuarial Srv. (CFO)	\$9,800.00	Free Cash
MIS-GIS Mapping (CFO)	\$25,000.00	Overlay Surplus
10 Year Property Measure (CFO-Assessors)	\$25,000.00	Overlay Surplus
Land Acquisition Trust (Con Com)	\$15,000.00	Free Cash
Andrew Street Water Mains Phase 1 (DPW)	\$20,000.00	Water Surplus
North Cemetery Access Road (DPW)	\$15,000.00	Free Cash
Scott Cemetery Improvements (DPW)	\$18,405.85	Cemetery Exp. Trust Cemetery Maint. Gift Sales of Lots E. Whitney Trust Etta Metcalf Cemetery
Two (2) Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) (Fire Department)	\$4,000.00	Free Cash
Pick-Up Truck (Parks Dept.)	\$24,000.00	Free Cash
3-Marked Police Cruisers (Police Dept.)	\$111,000.00	Free Cash
Automatic Weapon Cleaning System (Police Dept.)	\$7,500.00	Free Cash
Stallbrook School Parking Safety Improvements (School Dept)	\$30,000.00	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. SMALL PERSONAL PROPERTY ACCOUNTS

To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. Ch. 59s5(54) added by Ch. 150 s114 of the Acts of 2000 Small Personal Property Accounts and establish an amount of \$9,500 as the minimum value of personal property subject to taxation or take any other action thereon. If accepted, this exemption will take effect Fiscal 2009; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Assessors)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town accept G.L. Ch. 59, §5(54) added by Ch. 150, §114 of the Acts of 2000 Small Personal Property Accounts and establish an amount of \$9,500.00 as the minimum of value of personal property subject to taxation or take any other action thereon. If accepted, the exemption will take effect commencing Fiscal 2009.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. BYLAW GOVERNING STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

To see if the town will vote to delete the existing Code of Bylaws ARTICLE # 19.08 Post-Construction Stormwater Management System on Private Property and replace it with the following:

ARTICLE # 19.08 – Stormwater Management Systems on Private Property

SECTION 19.08.010. PURPOSE

This bylaw is intended to provide protection for the water resources by insuring proper erosion and sedimentation control during construction and maintenance of stormwater management systems after construction.

SECTION 19.08.020. APPLICABILITY

Any person that fails to follow the requirements of a Stormwater Management Permit and the related Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan, and Operations and Maintenance Plan issued under the Planning Board Regulations shall be in violation of the Bellingham Code of Bylaws.

SECTION 19.08.030. ENFORCEMENT

- A. The Town shall enforce this bylaw, issue violation notices, and enforcement orders, and may pursue all civil and criminal remedies for such violations.
- B. Orders
 - If the Town determines that a person's failure to follow the requirements of a Stormwater Management Permit and the related Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan, or Operations and Maintenance Plan is creating an adverse impact to a water resource, the Town may issue a written order to the person to remediate the adverse impact
 - 1. The order shall set forth a deadline by which such remediation must be completed.
 - 2. If remediation of an adverse impact is not completed by specified deadline, the Town may:
 - i. Proceed with Criminal Penalties as noted below; and
 - ii. Undertake such work, and the property owner on which the stormwater system is located shall reimburse the Town expenses. If the Town undertakes such work, then within thirty (30) days after completing all necessary abatement or remediation measures the property owner shall be notified of the costs incurred by the Town, including administrative costs. The property owner shall pay the amount due. If the amount due is not received within thirty (30) days following the notification of costs incurred, the costs shall become a special assessment against the property owner and

shall constitute a lien on the owner's property for the amount of said costs. Interest shall begin to accrue on any unpaid costs at the statutory rate provided in G.L. Ch. 59, § 57, after the thirty-first day at which the costs first become due.

- C. Criminal Penalty – Any person who violates any provision of this bylaw, may be subject to arrest and be punished by a fine as noted in Article 1.04 General Penalty for Violation of Bylaws.
- D. Appeals – The decisions or orders of the Board shall be final. Further relief shall be to a court of competent jurisdiction.
- E. Remedies Not Exclusive – The remedies listed in this bylaw are not exclusive of any other remedies available under any applicable federal, state or local law.

SECTION 19.08.040. SEVERABILITY

If any provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this bylaw shall be held invalid for any reason, all other provisions shall continue in full force and effect; or act or do anything related thereto.

(DPW & Water Resource Committee)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town delete the existing Code of Bylaws Article #19.08 Post-Construction Stormwater Management System on Private Property and replace it with Article #19.08 Stormwater Management Systems on Private Property as follows:

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2. If remediation of an adverse impact is not completed by specified deadline, the Town may:

- i. Proceed with Criminal Penalties as noted below; and
- ii. Undertake such work, and the property owner on which the stormwater system is located shall reimburse the Town expenses. If the Town undertakes such work, then within thirty (30) days after completing all necessary abatement or remediation measures the property owner shall be notified of the costs incurred by the Town, including administrative costs. The property owner shall pay the amount due. If the amount due is not received within thirty (30) days following the notification of costs incurred, the costs shall become a special assessment against the property owner and shall constitute a lien on the owner's property for the amount of said costs. Interest shall begin to accrue on any unpaid costs at the statutory rate provided in G.L. Ch. 59, § 57, after the thirty-first day at which the costs first become due.

C. Criminal Penalty. Any person who violates any provision of this bylaw, may be subject to arrest and be punished by a fine as noted in Article 1.04 General Penalty for Violation of Bylaws.

D. Appeals. The decisions or orders of the Board shall be final. Further relief shall be to a court of competent jurisdiction.

E. Remedies Not Exclusive. The remedies listed in this bylaw are not exclusive of any other remedies available under any applicable federal, state or local law.

Section 19.08.040. Severability.

If any provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this bylaw shall be held invalid for any reason, all other provisions shall continue in full force and effect..

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. PURCHASE OF LAND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of two parcels of land owned by Richard C. St. Germain located in the Lake Hiawatha section of said Town of Bellingham being lot 74 and 81 on Section I, all as described in a deed dated January 28, 1983, recorded with Norfolk Registry in Book 6111, Page 746; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the purchase of two (2) parcels of land owned by Richard E. St. Germain located in the Lake Hiawatha section of said Town of Bellingham being Lots 74 and 81 on Section 1 of plan of land entitled "Lake Hiawatha", dated 1944 drawn by Joseph A. Allard, recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 135, Plan 357 of 1945; all as described in a deed dated January 28, 1983, recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds I Book 6111, Page 746, said sum to be raised by transfer from Free Cash.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7. TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

To see if the Town will vote to allow the School Committee to enter into a transportation contract in excess of three years; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: School Committee)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 8. PULASKI BOULEVARD OVERLAY DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw and Zoning Map in order to establish the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District, as follows:

5300. Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District

5310. Purposes and Intent. The purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District are to encourage redevelopment and reuse of existing properties and infill development in the commercial area serving South Bellingham, to protect and enhance property values, to create opportunities for a mix of residential, commercial and other uses, to provide a walkable, pedestrian-friendly environment, and to encourage development that provides significant improvements to the public realm.

5320. Establishment of District. The Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District is hereby established as an overlay district with two sub-districts, A and B, as shown on the map entitled, "Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District," incorporated by reference in the Zoning Bylaw and on file with the Town Clerk.

5330. Relationship to Existing Zoning. The Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District regulations shall supersede all requirements of the underlying district(s) for any development under a Special Permit or Development Plan where the applicant elects to apply under the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District. In the case of such developments where the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District is silent on a zoning regulation, the requirements of the underlying district shall continue to apply.

In any development where the applicant does not elect to apply for a Special Permit or Development Plan under the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District, all of the requirements of the underlying district(s) shall remain in effect.

5340. Definitions.

5341. Mixed-Use Building. A building in which the ground floor facing the street is used for retail or other commercial uses permitted as of right or allowed by special permit, and other ground-floor and upper-floor space is designed or intended for residential or office uses.

5342. Mixed-Use Development: Two (2) or more buildings on one lot, with mixed-use buildings facing the street and residential, commercial or mixed-use buildings behind or to the side.

For purposes of applying the requirements of Section 2600 to uses in the underlying zoning district(s), a mixed-use building or a mixed-use development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall be a commercial use, not a residential use.

5350. Use Regulations.

5351. Permitted Uses. The following uses are permitted, alone or in any combination in a single building, subject to Development Plan Review under Section 1420 of this Bylaw:

(a) Mixed-use building.

(b) Bank, but not including drive-through service.

(c) Automated teller machines (ATM), where public access is available only from within a building and is operated in connection with other uses in the same building.

(d) Business or professional office.

- (e) Restaurant, general or limited service, where food service is located entirely within the building or on a patio or outdoor seating area operated in connection with an indoor-service restaurant; up to 1,500 sq. ft. gross floor area.
- (f) Bakery, deli, coffee shop, ice cream shop, sandwich shop, or similar establishment in which all or a majority of the food service is food to be consumed off the premises; but not including drive-through food service.
- (g) Retail sales or service, up to 5,000 sq. ft. gross floor area per individual business establishment, but not including drive-through service.
- (h) Inn or bed and breakfast facility.
- (i) Day care center licensed under M.G.L. c.28A, Section 9.
- (j) Municipal use.
- (k) Club or lodge.
- l) Uses exempt under M.G.L. c.40A, Section 3.
- (m) Accessory uses customarily incidental to a permitted use.

5352. Uses Authorized by Special Permit. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit for the following uses or any combination thereof:

- (a) Mixed-use development.
- (b) Townhouse dwelling or multi-family dwelling.
- (c) Restaurant exceeding 1,500 sq. ft. gross floor area.
- (d) Retail sales or service exceeding 5,000 sq. ft. gross floor area per individual business establishment, up to a maximum of:
 - (1) 15,000 sq. ft. in Sub-District A
 - (2) 10,000 sq. ft. in Sub-District B
- (e) Medical offices or medical clinic.
- (f) Veterinary office.
- (g) Drive-through service for a pharmacy or bank, including drive-through access to an automated teller machine mounted on a side or rear wall of a bank building.
- (h) Accessory uses customarily incidental to a special permitted use.

5353. Special Mixed Use Requirements

- (a) In a mixed-use building, retail or other commercial uses shall occupy not less than 30% of the floor area of any building(s) facing the street, and the ground floor of the front façade shall be occupied only by retail or commercial uses.
- (b) Residential uses may be located above the ground floor or at grade, provided that space occupied by commercial uses complies with (a) above and entrances to any at-grade residential units are on the side or rear of the building(s).

5354. Prohibited Uses

- (a) Drive-through food service establishment.
- (b) Auto, boat, or farm equipment sales or rental.
- (c) Retail sale of gasoline.
- (d) Stand-alone automated teller machine (ATM).
- (e) Funeral home.
- (f) Adult uses.
- (g) Any use not otherwise specified within this bylaw as being permitted as of right or permissible by special permit.

5355. Use Variances. Use variances shall not be allowed in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District.

5360. Intensity of Use Regulations.

5361. Basic Requirements. Development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall conform to the following dimensional requirements and the additional requirements in Subsections 5362-5367, as applicable:

	Sub-District	
	A	B
Minimum Contiguous Lot Area (Sq. Ft.)	30,000	20,000
Minimum Lot Area/Dwelling Unit See 5363 See 5363		
Minimum Frontage (Feet)	100	100
Yard Setbacks (Feet)		
Front Minimum	10	10
Front Maximum	30	20
Side Minimum	10	10
Rear Minimum	20	20
Min. Open Space % Lot	15%	15%
Maximum Height (Feet)	38	38
Maximum Building Coverage	35%	35%

5362. Maximum Front Yard Setback Exception. The Maximum Front Yard Setback in Subsection 5361 shall not apply to conversion of a building lawfully existing on the effective date of this bylaw.

5363. Maximum Number of Dwelling Units.

- (a) Mixed-Use Building. The maximum number of units in a mixed-use building shall not exceed one unit per 10,000 sq. ft. of lot area, except that by Special Permit from the Planning Board, the maximum number of units may be increased to one unit per 5,000 sq. ft. of lot area.
- (b) Townhouse or Multi-Family Use. The maximum number of units in a townhouse or multi-family development shall not exceed one unit per 5,000 sq. ft. of lot area.

5364. Height Measurement. Building height shall be measured as the vertical distance from the mean of the finished grade adjoining the building to (1) the top of the roof for flat roofs, (2) the deck lines for mansard roofs, and (3) the average height between eaves and ridge for gable, hip, and gambrel roofs.

5365. Separation of Buildings. The minimum separation between two or more detached buildings on the same lot shall be 20 feet.

5366. Minimum Open Space. The minimum open space required under Subsection 5361 may consist of land in its natural state or landscaped areas, and shall not include buildings, or areas for parking, storage, or display. Required open space shall be designed and intended for appropriate public use. In order to be included in the open space calculation under Subsection 5361, the open space shall be usable, unobstructed space that is not used for vehicle parking, vehicle circulation, loading spaces, or pedestrian pathways within vehicle parking lots. In addition, not more than 50% of any landscaped buffer required under Subsection 5387 may be counted toward the open space calculation for purposes of Subsection 5361.
5367. Special Permit Incentives. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit to increase the Maximum Building Coverage in order to encourage one or more of the following public benefits: the provision of consolidated or shared access or shared parking for two or more abutting parcels, subject to a legally enforceable and recordable agreement or restriction in a form acceptable to the Planning Board; or for significant public realm improvements above and beyond requirements that must be met under Section 1420, such as but not limited to landscaped pedestrian walkways or a pedestrian plaza shared by at least two abutting properties, public open space or a public park, riverfront access, or provision of other public improvements in the district in accordance with the Town's capital improvements plan, master plan or applicable area plan.

5370. Procedures.

5371. Development Plan Approval. No building permit shall be issued for any use or structure under the regulations of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District except in conformance with a plan approved by the Planning Board under Section 1420 of this Bylaw. The Planning Board shall base its decision on the Decision Standards in Subsection 1425 and the following additional determinations:

- (a) The proposal could not reasonably be altered to provide greater consistency with the Development Standards in Subsection 5380 below.

5372. Special Permits. The Planning Board shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority for uses in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District. Application procedures and decision criteria shall be based upon the following:

- (a) The considerations in Section 1500 of this Bylaw; and
- (b) The degree to which the proponent's plan meets the Development Standards in Subsection 5380 and addresses the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District as set forth in Subsection 5310.

5380. Development Standards. The following standards apply to new development or to expansion, exterior alteration or reconstruction of existing buildings in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District, and shall be an integral part of Development Plan Approval under Section 1420. The Planning Board may adopt supplemental Design Guidelines to implement this section.

5381. Objectives. Development that meets the following objectives will generally be deemed consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District:

- (a) Provides appropriate scale, design, operation and visual character for a pedestrian-oriented business and mixed-use district;
- (b) Consolidates and minimizes curb cuts, subordinates parking to building form, and provides exemplary architectural design;

- (c) Preserves and reuses existing buildings wherever possible;
- (d) Provides a mix of goods and services; and
- (e) Encourages pedestrian and bicycle access.

5382. Placement of Buildings. At least 60% of the front side of a lot facing the street, measured in percentage of the linear feet of lot frontage, shall be occupied by buildings oriented toward the street or by a pedestrian plaza located within 30 feet of the street sideline in Sub-District A or 25 feet of the street sideline in Sub-District B. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit to approve an alternative design that is consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District.

5383. Building Design.

- (a) Orientation. The principal building shall be oriented on the lot parallel with the front setback line to establish and preserve a consistent building line, with primary entrances oriented toward the street. Where appropriate, a building may be oriented around a courtyard or respond in design to a prominent feature, such as a corner location.

- (b) Materials.

- (1) A building's front façade shall be faced with materials used in traditional New England architecture, such as brick, granite, wood clapboard and shingles.

- (2) The main elements of the architectural treatment of the building's front façade, including the materials used, shall be continued around all sides of the building that are visible from a street or a pedestrian plaza.

- (c) Vertical Design. Buildings shall have a vertical orientation, to be achieved in one of the following ways: (1) the building has a greater height than width, or (2) the façades and roof lines of the building are designed to reduce massing and bulk so that it appears as a group of smaller masses with a vertical orientation. Wherever possible, the height of the first floor of a commercial building should be taller than the upper floors and expressed through façade treatments that convey the functional diversity within the building.

- (d) Massing. Buildings more than 45 feet in width along the street frontage shall be divided into increments not more than 45 feet wide through articulation of the façade, such as variations in building setbacks, roof lines or materials; window bays; and multiple entrances.

- (e) Rooflines. Roofs shall be pitched with a minimum slope of 6:12 and a maximum slope of 12:12. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit for a flat roof, provided that the flat roof structure is capped by an articulated parapet design that acts as a structural expression of the building façade and its materials, visible from all sides of the building, or the flat roof structure is a green roof system with green roof plants suited for the local climate. A roof shall, at a minimum, have articulated parapets concealing flat roofs and rooftop equipment (such as HVAC units) which are visible from adjoining streets or properties. Parapets or facades shall be designed to give the appearance of three or more roof slope planes.

- (f) Windows and Transparency.

- (1) For commercial or mixed-use buildings, at least thirty (30) percent of any ground floor façade that is visible from, fronting on, and located within sixty (60) feet of Pulaski Boulevard, South Main

Street, Wrentham Street or Paine Street shall be comprised of windows with clear glass allowing views into the interior. Display windows may be used to meet up to one-half of this requirement.

- (2) In a commercial or mixed-use building, at least 15 percent of a side or rear façade facing a public right of way, parking area, or open space shall be transparent.
- (3) Reflective glass, glass tinted more than 40%, and highly reflective surfaces shall not be used on building fronts.
- (4) Windows on the upper floors of the street façade shall be at least 4 feet tall and 2.5 feet wide, and shall have a ratio of height to width between 1.5:1 and 2:1.
- (g) Location of Garage Doors. Garage doors or loading docks are prohibited in the front façade of any building facing the street. No detached garage shall be located closer to the front lot line than the front of the principal building or structure on the lot.

5384. Drive-Through Businesses.

- (a) Business uses authorized by Special Permit to include drive-through service shall be limited to one drive-up window or device, one drive-up lane not exceeding ten (10) feet in width, and one bypass lane not exceeding ten (10) feet in width.
- (b) The maximum width of the paved area at the drive-up window or device shall be twenty-four (24) feet, including the bypass lane.
- (c) The drive-up window or device shall be located to the rear or side of the building. No drive-up window or device shall be located in front of the building or within the front yard setback.

5385. Outdoor Merchandise Display. Outdoor display of merchandise or goods is permitted subject to the following requirements:

- (a) Not more than one outdoor display is permitted per business.
- (b) The outdoor display shall not extend more than three (3) feet from the face of the building.
- (c) The outdoor display shall not reduce the clear pathway on the sidewalk to less than four (4) feet. If the sidewalk is four feet wide or less, no outdoor display shall be permitted.
- (d) All outdoor display must be brought inside by the end of each business day.

5386. Storage and Utility Areas. Outdoor storage, trash collection or compaction, or ground level service and utility equipment, including air conditioning equipment, electric utility boxes or satellite dishes, shall be screened from view from streets and adjacent lots.

5387. Landscaped Buffer. Development on a lot contiguous with a lot in a Residential District that contains a residence, or abutting any lot with an existing residential use, shall provide a landscaped buffer along all shared boundaries. The landscaping shall include at least one shade tree or two ornamental trees and five shrubs for each 30 feet in length of the buffer, planted within 15 feet of the property line abutting the Residential District or the residential lot, as applicable. A minimum of one-third of the trees and shrubs must be evergreen. Plantings need not be evenly spaced. As part of Development Plan Review, the Planning Board may approve an alternative landscaping plan that results in equal or greater screening to

abutting residential properties, in the opinion of the Planning Board. Landscaped buffer areas may count toward up to 50% of the minimum open space requirement for the site as set forth in Subsection 5361.

5388. Water Conservation. Landscaping shall consist of non-invasive, drought-resistant plantings that include trees, flowers, shrubs, succulents and ornamental grasses. High-water use turf shall not exceed 20% of all landscaped areas or open space on the site. All outdoor irrigation systems shall include moisture sensors and timing devices that comply with current outdoor water restrictions. Rainwater harvesting systems are encouraged where feasible.

5389. Waivers. The Planning Board may, by Special Permit, modify or waive the Development Standards in Subsections 5383 (a), (b), (e), (f)(3) or (f)(4), or 5387 if it determines that due to existing or unique conditions on the lot, the project's location, or alternative site designs, strict conformance with the standards above would unreasonably restrict the use or reuse of the property or would be detrimental to the orderly development of the district.

- (a) The Planning Board may request that the proponent provide all information necessary to determine the potential impacts of any proposed modification or waiver of the above standards. Information that may be requested by the Planning Board includes but is not limited to façade illustrations or photographs, in addition to the requirements of Section 1420 of this Bylaw.
- b) In granting such modifications or waivers, the Planning Board may impose conditions it deems necessary to protect the public interest and to insure that the development will be consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District and the objectives set forth in Section 5310.

53810. Sign Regulations. Signs in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall comply with Section 3100 and this Subsection. Where there is a conflict, this Subsection shall govern.

(a) General Requirements.

- (1) The total area of all signs on a single lot shall not exceed the lesser of
 - (A) 1.5 square feet for every one (1) lineal foot of lot frontage, or
 - (B) ten (10) percent of the area of the front façade of the building.
- (2) Each business may have up to three (3) signs meeting the standards for individual sign types herein, with aggregate area not exceeding (A) 10 percent of the area of its portion of the front façade of the building or (B) twelve (12) square feet, whichever is greater.
- (3) Wall signs, projecting signs, awning signs, directory signs and window signs are allowed in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District. Free-standing or pole signs and monument signs are prohibited in the Sub-District A but are permitted in Sub-District B.
- (4) No sign attached to a building shall be located higher than the sills of the second-story windows. For a single-story building, no sign shall be placed higher than one (1) foot below the building eaves.

(b) Sign Illumination.

- (1) Signs may be illuminated only by a stationary, external, white or off-white light source. Internally illuminated signs are prohibited.
- (2) The light source shall be concealed or hidden so that it is not visible to pedestrians or vehicles, or from abutting properties. Illumination shall be directed primarily onto the sign and maintained at a sufficiently low intensity and brightness to avoid glare.

- (3) Signs may be illuminated only during business hours and for 30 minutes before and after the hours of operation of the business advertised thereon.

(c) Wall Signs.

- (1) The area of a wall sign shall not exceed one (1) square foot per one (1) lineal foot of wall occupied by the business to which it pertains.
- (2) The width of a wall sign shall not exceed one (1) foot per two (2) lineal feet of wall occupied by the business to which it pertains.
- (3) The height of a wall sign, measured from the bottom of the display area to the top of display area, shall not exceed two (2) feet.
- (4) A wall sign shall not project more than one (1) foot from the wall to which it is attached.

(d) Projecting Signs.

- (1) The area of each face of a flat projecting sign shall not exceed eight (8) square feet.
- (2) The total area of a three-dimensional projecting sign shall be determined by enclosing the largest cross-section of the sign in a regular geometric shape, or combination of regular geometric shapes, with a total area of not more than nine (9) square feet.
- (3) A projecting sign shall be hung at a right angle to the building, shall extend no more than five (5) feet from the building face, and be separated from the building face by no more than one (1) foot.
- (4) The supporting framework for a projecting sign shall be in proportion to the size of the sign.
- (5) A projecting sign shall be located no higher than the sill of the second-story windows. For a one-story building, the sign shall be no higher than twelve (12) feet above a sidewalk or pedestrian way or fifteen (15) feet above an alley or driveway.
- (6) A projecting sign shall have a minimum clearance of eight (8) feet above grade when located adjacent to or projecting over a pedestrian way. If projecting over an alley or driveway, the clearance must be at least fourteen (14) feet. A projecting sign that overhangs a public way or a public sidewalk shall be covered by a public liability insurance policy which names the Town of Bellingham as an insured party.

(e) Awning Signs.

- (1) An awning sign shall consist of letters or symbols affixed to an awning in a position parallel or perpendicular to the wall on which the awning is mounted. Letters and symbols on an awning sign shall be flush with the surface of the awning.
- (2) The maximum display area of an awning sign shall be twelve (12) square feet for surfaces positioned parallel to the building wall, and six (6) square feet for surfaces positioned perpendicular to the wall.
- (3) Awning signs shall not be illuminated, and awnings shall not have interior illumination.

(f) Directory Signs.

- (1) A directory sign shall not exceed fifteen (15) feet in total height and shall not exceed the height of the principal building on the lot.
- (2) The total area of a directory sign shall not exceed fifty (50) square feet, including the building identifier and all individual business signs.
- (3) Individual business identification signs on the directory sign shall not exceed four (4) square feet in area. For two-sided directory signs, the maximum area shall be four (4) square feet per side.
- (4) The individual business identification signs on the directory sign shall be counted as one of the three (3) allowed signs per business.

(g) Window Signs.

- (1) Window signs shall not exceed twenty (20) percent of the window area in which they are displayed or twelve (12) square feet, whichever is less.
- (2) Signs hung inside windows shall be made of clear materials with lettering painted on them.

(h) Free-Standing Signs and Monument Signs (Sub-District B Only).

- (1) Free-standing (pole) signs shall not exceed eight (8) feet in total height. The maximum sign area of free-standing signs shall be 1.5 times the height of the sign, not to exceed twelve (12) square feet. For two-sided signs, where the sign faces are parallel to each other, each side may have the maximum sign area.
- (2) Monument signs shall not exceed four (4) feet in height or twelve (12) square feet in sign area.
- (3) Free-standing and monument signs shall be centered in a landscaped area with an area (in square feet) at least equal to the height of the sign (in feet) multiplied by 50.
- (4) No free-standing or monument sign shall be located closer to a property line than the height of the sign or five (5) feet, whichever is greater.

5390. Internal Circulation, Parking and Loading Requirements. Section 3300 shall apply to development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District except where modified by the following requirements:

5391. Access and Internal Circulation Driveways.

- (a) Each lot may have one access driveway through its frontage. One additional access driveway for one-way traffic may be provided for each 200 feet of frontage, and all such additional access driveways shall be separated by at least 200 feet, measured from the centerline of each access driveway.
- (b) The minimum width of an access drive shall be 12 feet for one-way use and 20 feet for two-way use. The maximum width shall be 16 feet for one-way use and 24 feet for two-way use.
- (c) When MassHighway has jurisdiction to issue a curb cut permit, these requirements shall apply to the extent that they do not conflict with MassHighway requirements.

5392. Off-Street Parking and Loading Spaces. Off-street parking and loading spaces shall be provided for each use in the development in accordance with Section 3320, except as follows:

(a) Townhouse or other multifamily units:

(1) Studio units: 1 space per unit;

(2) One-bedroom units: 1.5 spaces per unit

(3) Units with two or more bedrooms: 2 spaces per unit, except that for two-bedroom units located above the ground floor, the minimum number of parking spaces shall be an average of 1.5 spaces per unit.

(b) Restaurant: 1 space per four seats based on the legal seating capacity of the facility.

(c) Retail: 3 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area for the first 10,000 sq. ft.; 2.5 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. for more than 10,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area.

(d) Professional or business office, bank or post office: 3 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. gross floor area for first-floor offices, an average of 2.5 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. gross floor area for upper-story offices.

(e) Exceptions. The minimum number of off-street parking spaces shall be 85% of the number otherwise required under this Subsection for (1) shared parking that is subject to a legally enforceable agreement or restriction, or (2) a building in which at least 40 percent of the total floor area is on the second story or higher.

(f) Maximum Parking Standard. Off-street parking located on the premises shall not exceed 1 space per 200 sq. ft. of gross floor area, except that for places of public assembly or restaurants with function room space, the maximum number of spaces shall not exceed 1 space per 100 sq. ft. of gross floor area.

(g) Off-Street Loading. An off-street loading space is prohibited within 35 feet of any lot in a Residential District or any lot with an existing residential use unless the loading space is located wholly within an enclosed building, or is screened by a wall, hedge or fence not less than six feet in height.

5393. Reserve or Increased Parking. As part of Development Plan Approval under Section 1420, the Planning Board may authorize a decrease or require an increase in the number of off-street parking spaces, following the procedures and decision standards in Section 3300 of this Bylaw.

5394. Bicycle Facilities. Bicycle parking shall be provided for multi-family, mixed-use and nonresidential uses, as follows: at least 1 space per two dwelling units, and at least 1 space for each 10 vehicular parking spaces for nonresidential uses. All required bicycle facilities shall be in accordance with the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals Bike Parking Guidelines.

5395. Parking Area Design and Location.

(a) All off-street parking shall be located to the rear or side of the principal building on the lot. No parking shall be located in the front yard setback or common open space, nor closer to the front lot line than the front line of the principal structure, nor between any pedestrian plaza and the street or within five feet of any pedestrian plaza. However, the Planning Board may waive these requirements for existing parking lots serving existing buildings as currently used.

(b) Pedestrian crosswalks shall be provided in appropriate locations and shall be clearly recognizable through the use of raised, textured or color surface treatments in order to aid pedestrians in crossing traffic within a parking area.

(c) Each required off-street parking or loading space shall have adequate access to a street either directly or via a drive.

53100. Exemption from Major Residential Development and Special Residential Use Regulations. Development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall not be subject to Section 4300, Major Residential Development, nor Section 4400, Special Residential Uses, except that any development of 50 or more dwelling units shall be subject to Section 3400, Major Proposals.

53110. Subdivision Control. Where applicable, development in the Pulaski Boulevard Overlay District shall comply with the Planning Board's Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land pursuant to the Subdivision Control Law, G.L. c.41, Sections 81K through 81GG. Planning Board approval of a Development Plan under Section 1420 or a Special Permit shall neither oblige the Planning Board to approve any related definitive plan nor substitute for such approval.

53120. Separability. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Bylaw shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

(By: Planning Board)

VOTED: Yes - 85 No - 69 Total 154
2/3 of 154 being 103; Motion Failed

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. PULASKI BOULEVARD ENTERPRISE OVERLAY DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw and Zoning Map in order to establish the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District, as follows:

5400. Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District

5310. Purposes and Intent. The purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District are to encourage redevelopment and reuse of existing properties and infill development in the commercial area serving South Bellingham, to protect and enhance property values, to provide a walkable, pedestrian-friendly environment, and to encourage development that provides significant improvements to the public realm.

5354200. Establishment of District. The Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District is hereby established as an overlay district as shown on the map entitled, "Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District," incorporated by reference in the Zoning Bylaw and on file with the Town Clerk.

5354300. Relationship to Existing Zoning. In the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District, all requirements of the underlying district(s) shall remain in effect except where these regulations supersede or provide an alternative to such requirements. In the event that an owner desires to redevelop in accordance with the regulations herein, the rules and regulations of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District shall apply and by filing an application for a Special Permit or Development Plan Review for a development subject to these rules and regulations, the owner shall be deemed to accept and agree to them. Where the provisions of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District are silent on a zoning regulation, the requirements of the underlying district shall apply.

5354400. Use Regulations.

5441. Permitted Uses. The following uses, in addition to all permitted uses under Section 2400 of this Bylaw for the underlying district(s) are permitted, subject to Development Plan Review under Section 1420 of this Bylaw:
- (a) Bank or Pharmacy including drive-through service.
 - (b) Stand-alone automated teller machine including drive-through service.
 - (c) Restaurant, where food service is also located on a patio or outdoor seating area operated in connection with an indoor-service restaurant.
 - (d) Bakery, coffee shop, deli, sandwich shop, fast food, ice cream shop, or similar establishment in which the food service is food to be consumed on or off the premises, or in any combination thereof including drive-through service.
 - (e) Other drive-through service uses, including but not limited to, laundry services and convenience merchandise services.
5442. Prohibited Uses. Any uses prohibited under section 2400 of this Bylaw for the underlying district(s) are prohibited for the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District.
5443. Use Variances. Legally preexisting nonconforming structures and uses may be extended, altered, or changed in use on Special Permit from the Board of Appeals if the Board of Appeals finds that such extension, alteration, or change of use will be substantially less detrimental to the neighborhood and more consistent with the intent described in Subsection 5410 of this Bylaw than the existing nonconforming use. The implied hardship from which relief shall be sought shall be the obsolescence of the preexisting nonconforming use due to changes in public safety standards and quality of life standards.

5354500. Intensity of Use Regulations.

5451. Basic Requirements. Development in the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District shall conform to Sections 2500 and 2600 of this Bylaw, with the exception of the following requirements, and the additional requirements in Subsection 5452, as applicable.

Minimum Contiguous Lot Area (Sq. Ft.)	20,000
Minimum Frontage (Feet)	100
Min. Open Space % Lot	10%
Maximum Building Coverage	35%

5452. Minimum Open Space. The minimum open space required under Subsection 5451 may consist of land in its natural state or landscaped areas, and shall not include buildings, or areas for parking, storage, or display. In order to be included in the open space calculation under Subsection 5451, the open space shall be usable, unobstructed space that is not used for vehicle parking, vehicle circulation, loading spaces, or pedestrian pathways within vehicle parking lots. In addition, not more than 50% of any landscaped buffer required under Subsection 5475 may be counted toward the open space calculation for purposes of Subsection 5451.

5453. Special Permit Incentives. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit to increase the Maximum Building Coverage in order to encourage one or more of the following public benefits: the provision of consolidated or shared access or shared parking for two or more abutting parcels, subject to a legally enforceable and recordable agreement or restriction in a form acceptable to the Planning Board; or for significant public realm improvements above and beyond requirements that must be met under Section 1420, such as but not limited to landscaped pedestrian walkways or a pedestrian plaza shared by at least two abutting properties, public open space, or provision of other public improvements in the district in accordance with the Town's applicable area plan.

5354600. Procedures.

5461. Development Plan Approval. No building permit shall be issued for any use or structure under the regulations of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District except in conformance with a plan approved by the Planning Board under Section 1420 of this Bylaw. The Planning Board shall base its decision on the Decision Standards in Subsection 1425 and that the proposal could not reasonably be altered to provide greater consistency with the Development Standards in Subsection 5470 below.

5462. Special Permits. The Planning Board shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority for uses in the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District. Application procedures and decision criteria shall be based upon the degree to which the proponent's plan meets the Development Standards in Subsection 5470 and addresses the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District as set forth in Subsection 5410.

5463. Development Incentives. The Planning Board Approval process under Section 1420 of this Bylaw shall be expedited to promote permitting relief to whatever degree is possible for applications consistent with Subsection 5410 of this Bylaw according to the following:

- (a) The Planning Board's discretionary request for peer review of the submittals of certified engineers, which multiplies the time and cost of applications, shall be reserved for only the most complicated circumstances.
- (b) The Planning Board's discretionary requests for traffic study engineering shall be confined to on-site traffic management engineering including the study of safe ingress and egress of the site.

5354700. Development Standards. The following standards apply to new development or to expansion, exterior alteration or reconstruction of existing buildings in the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District, and shall be an integral part of Development Plan Approval under Section 1420.

5471. Objectives. Development that meets the following objectives will generally be deemed consistent with the purposes of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District:

- (a) Provides appropriate scale, design, operation and visual character for a pedestrian-oriented business district;
- (b) Consolidates and minimizes curb cuts, and provides exemplary architectural design;
- (e) Encourages pedestrian access.

5472. Building Design.

5211. Orientation. The principal building shall be oriented on the lot parallel with the front setback line to establish and preserve a consistent building line, with primary entrances oriented toward the street. Where appropriate, a building may be oriented around a courtyard or respond in design to a prominent feature, such as a corner location.

5212. The main elements of the architectural treatment of the building's front façade, including the materials used, shall be continued around all sides of the building.

(c) **Vertical Design.** Buildings shall have a vertical orientation, to be achieved in the following way: the façades and roof lines of the building are designed to reduce massing and bulk so that larger buildings appear as a group of smaller masses.

(d) **Massing.** Buildings more than 45 feet in width along the street frontage shall be divided into increments not more than 45 feet wide through articulation of the façade, such as variations in building setbacks, roof lines or materials; window bays; and multiple entrances.

(e) **Rooflines.** Roofs shall be pitched with a minimum slope of 6:12 and a maximum slope of 12:12, or a flat roof, provided that the flat roof structure is capped by an articulated parapet design that acts as a structural expression of the building façade visible from all sides of the building.

(f) **Windows and Transparency.**

(1) For commercial buildings: at least thirty (30) percent of any ground floor façade that is visible from, fronting on, and located within sixty (60) feet of Pulaski Boulevard, South Main Street, Wrentham Street or Paine Street shall be comprised of windows with clear glass allowing views into the interior. Display windows may be used to meet up to one-half of this requirement.

(2) In a commercial building, at least 15 percent of a side façade facing a public right of way, parking area, or open space shall be transparent.

(3) Reflective glass, glass tinted more than 40%, and highly reflective surfaces shall not be used on building fronts.

(4) Windows on the upper floors of the street façade shall be at least 4 feet tall and 2.5 feet wide, and shall have a ratio of height to width between 1.5:1 and 2:1.

(g) **Loading Docks:** Loading docks are prohibited in the front façade of any building facing the street.

5473. Drive-Through Businesses.

(a) Business uses that include drive-through service shall have drive-up lanes not exceeding twelve (12) feet in width nor less than ten (10) feet in width, and one bypass lane not exceeding twelve (12) feet in width nor less than ten (10) in width.

(b) The drive-up window or device shall be located to the rear or side of the building. No drive-up window or device shall be located in front of the building.

5474. Storage and Utility Areas. Outdoor storage, trash collection, or ground level service and utility equipment shall be screened from view from

streets and adjacent lots. No storage trailers shall be allowed unless by permit from the Building Inspector.

5475. Landscaped Buffer. Development on a lot contiguous with a lot in a Residential District that contains a residence shall provide a landscaped buffer along shared boundaries. The landscaping shall include at least one shade tree or two ornamental trees and five shrubs for each 30 feet in length of the buffer, planted within 15 feet of the property line abutting the Residential District. A minimum of one-third of the trees and shrubs must be evergreen. As part of Development Plan Review, the Planning Board may approve an alternative landscaping plan that results in equal or greater screening in the opinion of the Planning Board.

5476. Water Conservation. Landscaping shall consist of non-invasive, drought-resistant plantings that include trees, flowers, shrubs, succulents, ornamental grasses, and turf. All outdoor irrigation systems shall include moisture sensors and timing devices that comply with current outdoor water restrictions. Rainwater harvesting systems are encouraged where feasible.

5477. Sign Regulations. Signs in the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District shall comply with Section 3100 of this Bylaw and this Subsection. Where there is a conflict, this Subsection shall govern. The rules and regulations included in this Subsection shall apply to all properties in the underlying district(s) of the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District

- (a) Streamers of garland, flags, ribbons, or other materials shall be prohibited.
- (b) Inflatable attractions and banner signs shall be prohibited, unless temporary, and upon a permit from the Building Inspector.
- (c) Limitation to one American flag display per property.
- (d) Outdoor tobacco product advertising shall be prohibited.
- (e) Removal of unused signs within 3 months of non-use shall be required of the former Business Certificate holder or the current property owner.

5354800. Internal Circulation, Parking and Loading Requirements. Section 3300 of this Bylaw shall apply to development in the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District except where modified by the following requirements:

5481. Access and Internal Circulation Driveways.

- (a) Each lot may have one access driveway through its frontage. One additional access driveway for one-way traffic may be provided for each 100 feet of frontage, and all such additional access driveways shall be separated by at least 100 feet, measured from the centerline of each access driveway. In cases of corner properties or unique circumstances, the Planning Board may decide that a revision of this configuration best serves the Decision Standards in Subsection 1425.
- (b) The minimum width of an access drive shall be 12 feet for one-way use and 20 feet for two-way use. The maximum width shall be 16 feet for one-way use and 24 feet for two-way use.
- (c) When MassHighway has jurisdiction to issue a curb cut permit, these requirements shall apply to the extent that they do not conflict with MassHighway requirements.

5482. Off-Street Parking and Loading Spaces. Off-street parking and loading spaces shall be provided in accordance with Section 3320, except as follows:

- (a) Restaurant: 1 space per four seats based on the legal seating capacity of the facility.
- (b) Retail: 3 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area for the first 10,000 sq. ft.; 2.5 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. for more than 10,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
- (c) Professional or business office or bank: 3 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. gross floor area for first-floor offices, an average of 2.5 spaces per 1,000 sq. ft. gross floor area for upper-story offices.
- (d) Exceptions. The minimum number of off-street parking spaces shall be 85% of the number otherwise required under this Subsection for shared parking that is subject to a legally enforceable agreement or restriction.
- (e) Off-Street Loading. An off-street loading space is prohibited within 35 feet of any lot in a Residential District unless the loading space is located wholly within an enclosed building, or is screened by a wall, hedge or fence not less than six feet in height.

5483. Reserves or Increased Parking. As part of Development Plan Approval under Section 1420, the Planning Board may authorize a decrease or require an increase in the number of off-street parking spaces, following the procedures and decision standards in Section 3300 of this Bylaw.

5484. Parking Area Design and Location.

- (a) Parking may be located to the rear, side, or front of the principal building on the lot, including within the front yard setback as is customary throughout the underlying district, but not within five feet of a pedestrian right of way or between any pedestrian plaza and the street or within five feet of any pedestrian plaza.
- (b) Parking within the front yard setback, but not within five feet of a pedestrian right of way shall utilize the minimum five feet separation as a landscaped buffer area whenever possible to be consistent with the objectives of Subsection 5410, and such open space may be counted toward the open space calculation for the purposes of Subsection 5451.
- (c) Pedestrian crosswalks shall be provided in appropriate locations and shall be clearly recognizable through the use of raised, textured or color surface treatments in order to aid pedestrians in crossing traffic within a parking area.

5354900. Subdivision Control. Where applicable, development in the Pulaski Boulevard Enterprise Overlay District shall comply with the Planning Board's Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land pursuant to the Subdivision Control Law, G.L. c.41, Sections 81K through 81GG. Planning Board approval of a Development Plan under Section 1420 or a Special Permit shall neither oblige the Planning Board to approve any related definitive plan nor substitute for such approval.

54100. Separability. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Bylaw shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

Or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Pulaski Boulevard 2010 Alliance)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 10. STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of funding the Stabilization Fund; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Finance Committee)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate by Transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$300,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Stabilization Fund.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 11 . TAX STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of funding the Tax Stabilization Fund; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from Free Cash for the purpose of funding the Tax Stabilization Fund.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 12. UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,356.64 for the payment of the following unpaid bills by transfer from the listed accounts:

Department	Who to Pay	Amount Requested	Transferred From
Board of Health	Michael Graf	\$100.00	BOH Expenses
Building Inspector	Stuart LeClair	\$290.00	Bldg. Inspector Expenses
OJI (On the Job Injury)	Provident Agency, Inc.	\$27.75	OJI Expenses
OJI (On the Job Injury)	Health Resources	\$76.00	OJI Expenses
Planning Board	W.B. Mason	\$21.98	Planning Board Expenses
Sewer	WWTP	\$10,840.91	Sewer Surplus

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

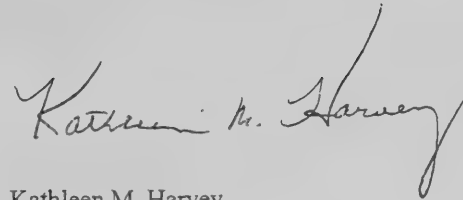
Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM

Attendance:

P - 1	P - 2	P - 3	P - 4	P - 5	TOTAL
17	20	27	41	66	171

No Quorum Required:
A true record.

ATTEST:



Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk



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PUBLICATION OF TOWN BY-LAWS

The attached amendments to the
Zoning By-Law Article #17

of the Warrant for the Bellingham Annual Town Meeting
that convened on May 23, 2007 – Case #4356
with the approval of the Attorney General is hereby:

PUBLISHED.

Any claim to invalidity by reason of defect in the procedure of adoption and/or
amendment may only be made, in writing, within ninety days of this posting.

ATTEST:

Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

POSTED IN THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

Precinct # 1	North Civic/Senior Center & Stall Brook School
Precinct # 2	Clara Macy School & Depot Court Activity Room
Precinct # 3	Bellingham Municipal Center & Bellingham Public Library
Precinct # 4	Charlie's Tire & School Administration Bldg.
Precinct # 5	Wrentham Manor Activity Room & Li'l General Store

DatePosted: JUN 27 2007

Constable of Bellingham



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June 20, 2007

Kathleen M. Harvey, Town Clerk
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RE: Bellingham Annual Town Meeting of May 23, 2007 — Case # 4356
Warrant Article # 17 (Zoning)

Dear Ms. Harvey:

Article 17- I return with the approval of this Office the amendments to the town by-laws adopted under this Article on the warrant for the Bellingham annual town meeting that convened on May 23, 2007.

Note: Under G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of this section. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

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Nothing in the Attorney General's approval authorizes an exemption from any applicable state law or regulation governing the subject of the by-law submitted for approval.

Very truly yours,

MARTHA COAKLEY
ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kelli E. Gunagan

By: Kelli E. Gunagan, Assistant Attorney General
By-law Coordinator, Municipal Law Unit
1350 Main Street, 4th Floor
Springfield, MA 01103-1629
(413) 784-1240, x 117

enc.
pc:

Town Counsel



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK

Bellingham Municipal Center
10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

Town Clerk
Kathleen M. Harvey

Tel: 508-657-2830
Fax: 508-657-2832

May 30, 2007

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**RE: ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 23, 2007 at 7:30 PM**

I hereby certify the following is a true record of the Vote adopted under Article 17 by the qualified voters of the town of Bellingham at the above referenced Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 17. ZONING BYLAW REVISION – AS-BUILT REQUIREMENTS

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town accept the following changes to the Zoning Bylaws:

Delete paragraph 1422(e) in its entirety and replace it with the following:

1422(e) "As-Built" Information

As-built information shall be provided to the Department of Public Works after installation of all underground utilities (water, sewer, drain, gas, electric, communications, etc.) and site construction (roads, access ways, driveways, parking, landscaping, lighting, etc.) noted on the approved plans or referenced in the decisions of special permits issued by the Planning Board, and prior to issuance of certificate(s) of occupancy.

As-built information shall consist of both a certification from a registered land surveyor, professional land surveyor, or professional engineer that all construction has been completed in accordance with the approved Development Plan, and a stamped As-Built Plan (Record Drawing) showing the location of all buildings and structures, all utilities, including septic system, leaching area, underground piping, vent pipes, drainage facilities, water wells, well piping, electric, gas, and telecommunications lines showing that all construction has been completed in accordance with the approved Development Plan.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)
(Recommended by Planning Board)

A true record.

ATTEST:

Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk



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PUBLICATION OF TOWN BY-LAWS

The attached amendments to the
General By-Law Article # 5

of the Warrant for the Bellingham Special Town Meeting
that convened on October 10, 2007
with the approval of the Attorney General is hereby:

PUBLISHED

Any claim to invalidity by reason of defect in the procedure of adoption and/or amendment may only be made, in writing, within ninety days of this posting.

ATTEST:

Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

POSTED IN THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

Precinct # 1	North Civic/Senior Center & Stall Brook School
Precinct # 2	Clara Macy School & Depot Court Activity Room
Precinct # 3	Bellingham Municipal Bldg. & Bellingham Library
Precinct # 4	Charlie's Tire & School Administration Bldg.
Precinct # 5	Wrentham Manor Activity Room & Li'l General Store

I hereby certify that I have posted attested copies of the above notice at the places indicated.

Date Posted: OCT 29 2007

Constable of Bellingham



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION
1350 MAIN STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01103-1629

MARTHA COAKLEY
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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October 25, 2008

Kathleen M. Harvey, Town Clerk
10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

RE: Bellingham Special Town Meeting of October 10, 2007 — Case # 4496
Warrant Article # 5 (General)

Dear Ms. Harvey:

Article 5: I return with the approval of this Office the amendments to the town by-laws adopted under this Article on the warrant for the Bellingham special town meeting that convened on October 10, 2007.

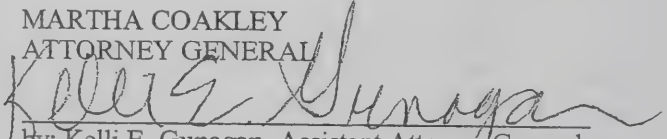
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10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

Town Clerk
Kathleen M. Harvey

Tel: 508-657-2830
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October 17, 2007

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**RE: SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
October 10, 2007 at 7:30 PM**

I hereby certify the following is a true record of the vote adopted under Article 5 by the qualified voters of the Town of Bellingham at the above referenced Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 5. BYLAW GOVERNING STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town delete the existing Code of Bylaws Article #19.08 Post-Construction Stormwater Management System on Private Property and replace it with Article #19.08 Stormwater Management Systems on Private Property as follows:

Article # 19.08. Stormwater Management Systems on Private Property

Section 19.08.010. Purpose

This bylaw is intended to provide protection for the water resources by insuring proper erosion and sedimentation control during construction and maintenance of stormwater management systems after construction.

Section 19.08.020. Applicability

Any person that fails to follow the requirements of a Stormwater Management Permit and the related Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan, and Operations and Maintenance Plan issued under the Planning Board Regulations shall be in violation of the Bellingham Code of Bylaws.

Section 19.08.030. Enforcement

A. The Town shall enforce this bylaw, issue violation notices, and enforcement orders, and may pursue all civil and criminal remedies for such violations.

B. Orders

- If the Town determines that a person's failure to follow the requirements of a Stormwater Management Permit and the related Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan, or Operations and Maintenance Plan is creating an adverse impact to a water resource, the Town may issue a written order to the person to remediate the adverse impact
 - 1. The order shall set forth a deadline by which such remediation must be completed.
 - 2. If remediation of an adverse impact is not completed by specified deadline, the Town may:
 - i. Proceed with Criminal Penalties as noted below; and
 - ii. Undertake such work, and the property owner on which the stormwater system is located shall reimburse the Town expenses. If the Town undertakes such work, then within thirty (30) days after completing all necessary abatement or remediation measures the property owner shall be notified of the costs incurred by the Town, including administrative costs. The property owner shall pay the amount due. If the amount due is not received within thirty (30) days following the notification of costs incurred, the costs shall become a special assessment against the property owner and shall constitute a lien on the owner's property for the amount of said costs. Interest shall begin to accrue on any unpaid costs at the statutory rate provided in G.L. Ch. 59, § 57, after the thirty-first day at which the costs first become due.

C. Criminal Penalty. Any person who violates any provision of this bylaw, may be subject to arrest and be punished by a fine as noted in Article 1.04 General Penalty for Violation of Bylaws.

D. Appeals. The decisions or orders of the Board shall be final. Further relief shall be to a court of competent jurisdiction.

E. Remedies Not Exclusive. The remedies listed in this bylaw are not exclusive of any other remedies available under any applicable federal, state or local law.

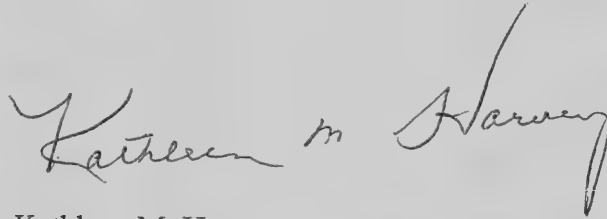
Section 19.08.040. Severability.

If any provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this bylaw shall be held invalid for any reason, all other provisions shall continue in full force and effect..

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

A true record.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen M. Harvey". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the "ATTEST:" text.

Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK'S RECEIPTS

DOG LICENSES SOLD - 2007

	Numbered Issued	Unit Price	Gross Receipts Paid to Town
Male	109	\$15.00	\$ 1,635.00
Neutered Male	839	\$10.00	\$ 8,390.00
Female	52	\$15.00	\$ 780.00
Spayed Female	834	\$10.00	\$ 8,340.00
Kennel - 3 dogs or less	2	\$30.00	\$ 60.00
Kennel - 10 dogs or less	1	\$55.00	\$ 55.00
Kennel - More than 10 dogs	5	\$105.00	\$ 525.00
TOTAL LICENSES SOLD	1,842		\$19,785.00
LATE FEES			\$ 3,200.00
TOTAL			\$22,985.00

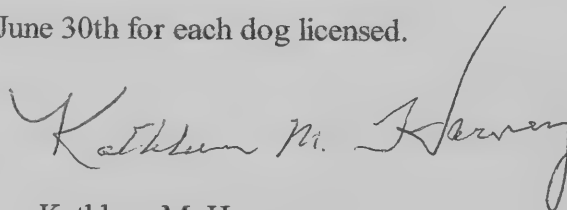
The Town of Bellingham accepted the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140, Section 147A at the special Town Meeting held on December 15, 1987. This authorized the town to keep all fees collected from the sale of dog licenses or monies received as fines.

Dog and Kennel Licenses are due annually April 1st.

A \$10.00 late fee is imposed after June 30th for each dog licensed.

A true record.

ATTEST:



Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK'S RECEIPTS

FISH & GAME LICENSES

for the year ending, 2007

	Unit Price	Town Fee	Total Sales	GROSS RECEIPTS	Fees to Town	Net to State
Resident Fishing	22.50	0.50	42	945.00	21.00	924.00
Resident Fishing Minor	6.50	0.50	3	19.50	1.50	18.00
Resident Fishing 65-69	11.25	0.50	11	123.75	5.50	118.25
Resident Fishing Over 70/Handicapped	0.00	None	15	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Resient Fishing	32.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Resident Fishing 3-day	18.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Fishing 3-day	7.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Resident Minor	6.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Trapping	30.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Trapping Minor	6.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Trapping Age 65-69	15.25	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Duplicate Fishing	2.50	None	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Duplicate Trapping	2.50	None	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Citizen Hunting	22.50	0.50	7	157.50	3.50	154.00
Resient Hunting 65-69	11.25	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resient Hunting Paraplegic	0.00	None	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Alien Hunting	22.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Resident Hunting - Big Game	94.50	0.50	1	94.50	0.50	94.00
Non-Resident Hunting, Small Game	60.50	0.50	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Citizen Minor Hunting	6.50	0.50	1	6.50	0.50	6.00
Resident Sporting	40.00	0.50	12	480.00	6.00	474.00
Resident Sporting 65-69	20.00	0.50	6	120.00	3.00	117.00
Resident Citizen Sporting - Over 70	0.00	None	21	0.00	0.00	0.00
Duplicate Hunting	2.50	None	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Duplicate Sporting	2.50	None	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Archery Stamp	5.10	0.10	19	96.90	1.90	95.00
Waterfowl Stamp	5.00	0.25	3	15.00	0.75	14.25
Primitive Firearms Stamp	5.10	0.10	22	112.20	2.20	110.00
Wildlife Conservation Stamp (Resident)	5.00	None	82	410.00	0.00	410.00
Wildlife Conservation Stamp (Non-Resic	5.00	None	1	5.00	0.00	5.00
Town of Bellingham \$1.00 fee	1.00	1.00	83	83.00	83.00	0.00

A true record.

ATTEST:

Kathleen M. Harvey
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Bellingham Town Clerk

Totals

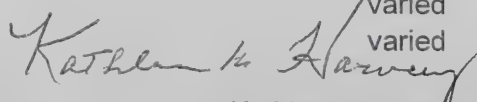
\$2,668.85

\$129.35

\$2,539.50

MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES, RECORDALS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.**For the year ending:****December 31, 2007****Unit
Price****Amount
Sold****YEARLY
TOTAL**

Birth Certificates	10.00	506	5060.00
Death Certificates	10.00	148	1480.00
Marriage Certificates	10.00	245	2450.00
Adoption Recordings	N/C	0	0.00
Amended Vital Recorded	20.00	0	0.00
Business Certificate (Certified Copy)	10.00	0	0.00
Business Certificate (Withdrawn,etc)	10.00	9	90.00
Certification of Record	2.00	3	6.00
Computer Diskettes (\$5.00 per Pct.)	5.00	7	35.00
Computer labels (@.02 each min. \$75.00)	0.02	0	0.00
Delayed Records of Birth	20.00	0	0.00
Document Recording	10.00	0	0.00
Dog Tag Replacement	2.00	8	16.00
General By-Laws	10.00	1	10.00
Home Births	N/C	1	0.00
Miscellaneous Copies	0.20	576	115.20
Physician's Registration	20.00	0	0.00
Planning Board Rules & Regs.	10.00	3	30.00
Postage,By-Laws/Asst. Regulations	3.00	2	6.00
Street Lists - Seniors 65+	5.00	8	40.00
Street Lists - Seniors 65+ from 7/1/07	7.00	12	84.00
Street Lists - Resident	10.00	2	20.00
Street Luist - Non Resident	25.00	0	0.00
Voter Registration Cards	5.00	1	5.00
Zoning By-Laws	10.00	28	280.00
*****		0	0.00
Business Certificates	20.00	103	2060.00
Marriage Intentions	25.00	110	2750.00
Pole Locations (\$20 single/\$40 joint)	20.00	8	160.00
Raffle & Bazaar Permits	10.00	6	60.00
Underground Storage Permits	10.00	29	290.00
*****		0	0.00
Non-Criminal Disposition - \$25.00	25.00	116	2900.00
Non-Criminal Disposition - \$50.00	50.00	17	850.00
Non-Criminal Disposition - \$100.00	100.00	7	700.00
Non-Criminal Disposition - \$200.00	200.00	0	0.00
Non-Criminal Disposition - \$300.00	300.00	12	3600.00
Miscellaneous Certifications, etc.	varied	varied	0.00
Miscellaneous Postage	varied	varied	6.40
Record Searches	varied	varied	0.00
Subpoena/Summons Fees	varied	varied	0.00



A true Record.

ATTEST:

 Kathleen M. Harvey
 Bellingham Town Total

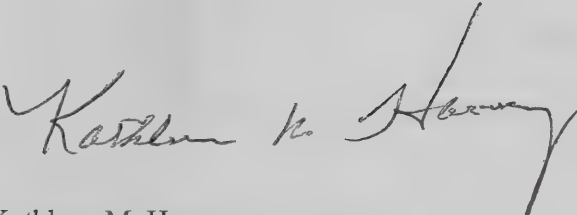
\$23,103.60

TOWN CLERK'S
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
FOR THE YEAR 2007

	<u>Number Issued</u>	<u>Gross Receipts</u>	<u>Receipts Paid to STATE</u>	<u>Receipts Paid to TOWN</u>
Dog License	1,843	\$22,985.00	---	\$22,985.00
Fish & Game Receipts	Varied	\$ 2,668.85	\$ 2,539.50	\$ 129.35
Misc. Licenses, Certificates, Etc.	Varied	\$23,103.60	---	\$23,103.60
 TOTALS		 \$48,757.45	 \$ 2,539.50	 \$46,217.95

A true record.

ATTEST:



Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS RECORD

2007

BIRTHS	197
MARRIAGES	113
DEATHS	92
TOTALS	402

Vital statistics recorded in the Town Report reflect events which occurred ONLY in Massachusetts. Many of Bellingham's births and deaths are in surrounding hospitals in Rhode Island and are considered out-of-state records and not returned to the town of residence.

MARRIAGES recorded in the Town of Bellingham include ONLY those couples that filed their marriage intention in Bellingham.

OUT OF WEDLOCK BIRTHS:

Chapter 556 of the Acts of 1989 allow for resident copies of out of wedlock births to be transmitted to the town of residents, upon request of the mother at the time of birth. This act has been in effect since February 27, 1990 and applies to births from that date to the present.

These records are still considered "impounded" and access is limited to the following individuals:

- Mother and Father - if Father is listed on record
- Child
- Legal Guardian of the Child - with proper legal papers
- Legal representative of the above

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

IN THE YEAR 2007

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME OF PRINCIPALS	RESIDENCE
JANUARY		
1	Michelle Lynn Carpenter Dorothy Gay Reid	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
6	Scott Church Joanne Margaret Smith	Bellingham, MA Oakville, Ontario, Canada
20	Gary Richard Young Anne-Marie Tina Frappier	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
FEBRUARY		
3	Griffin Jason Powers Jacqueline Renee Moulton	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
16	Adilson Candido Dos Santos Jenna Elza Sprah	Milford, MA Milford, MA
18	Darren John Cormier Tricia Ann Ryan	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
23	Anthony Domenic Iannetti Shannon Elizabeth Curran	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
24	Michael Neal Galbraith Susan Conroy McDaniel	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
MARCH		
2	Christopher Mark Ilic Allison Susan Patch	Pawtucket, RI Salem, MA
24	Brian G. Smith Linda Anne Jarry	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
31	Stephen Andrew Parks Sarah Marie Kim Miller	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

APRIL

7	Eder Marques Dos Reis Stefanie Tina Marquis	Milford, MA Woonsocket, RI
13	Abner Andre Mireille Joseph	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
14	Robert Joseph Dwyer Christine Jennifer Sarno	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
14	Adam Joseph St.Laurent Jessica Eve Nash	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
28	Kevin Scott Messom, Sr. Debra Lorraine Paolino	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

MAY

4	Michael Paul Donovan Sharon Lynne Hopkins	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
5	Glenn Michael Nasfell Cheri Ann Callahan	Pawtucket, RI Pawtucket, RI
5	David Lance Stochaj Kristine Medora Young	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
6	Craig Raymond Henault, Jr. Nicole Leigh Masterson	No. Providence, RI No. Providence, RI
18	John Robert Cashman Joanne Marie Mahoney	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
19	Mark William Musiak Marissa Justine Poulos	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
19	Ryan Robert Fowler Aimee Kaye Scaccia	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
20	Robert William Merrill Alexa Pilar Smorawski	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
25	Maribel Rodriguez Nidia Zoe Vargaz	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
25	Jeffrey Joseph Ayotte Sandra Miozza	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

MAY

26	Jeffrey Patrick Markle Elizabeth Theresa Kitch	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
26	Christopher Brian Cinq-Mars Bethany Ann Brown	No. Smithfield, RI No. Smithfield, RI
26	James John Ferenczy Jennifer Marie Karakeian	Lawrenceville, GA Lawrenceville, GA
27	Juan Carlos Acosta Rebecca Lee Hopkins	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI

JUNE

2	Rodney Keith Champagne Jacqueline Anita Choquette	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
2	Michael Lee Ciak Michelle Louise Dennis	Concord, NH Bellingham, MA
2	Matthew Joel Whitner Melissa Aline Antonellis	Pelham, NH Bellingham, MA
3	Keith John Ezovski Marianne Grimes-Grenon	Manville, RI Cumberland, RI
8	Ryan Steven Carrier Sara Jane Yenser	Woonsocket, RI Milford, MA
9	Jonathan Adam Maranda Kyla Beth Whittemore	Blackstone, MA Attleboro, MA
9	Frank Richard Grant Kelly Suzanne Hogan	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
16	Johnny Boudavong Kathleen Ann Zanchi	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
17	Steven Michael Gauvin Christina Ann Gaudette	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
23	Joshua Thomas Foster Jennifer Nicole Lemek	Glendale, RI Glendale, RI
23	Michael Norman Cooley Deborah Lynne Howard	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

JUNE

23	Brian Tucker Dwight Catherine Rebecca Oehley	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
24	Derek Paul Murdock Caitlyn Sullivan Corson	Milford, MA Manchester, NH
26	Richard Lowell Besozzi Marsha Louise Gustafson	Framingham, MA Framingham, MA
29	William Roger Kline, Jr. Judy Ann Trybalski	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
30	Normand Rene Lamy Renee Linda Gaston	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
30	Ceth Thomas Custer Melissa Sue Freitas	Slatersville, RI No. Smithfield, RI

JULY

7	Joshua David Marder Amy Elizabeth Moran	Bellingham, MA Norwood, MA
7	Jacob Stephen Slivka Jeannine Marie Doucette	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
7	Daryll A. Washkewits Glorrie Jean Honey	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
7	Michael David Rogers Anna Elizabeth Rafuse	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
8	Michael John Swett Stacy Danielle Peters	Scituate, RI Scituate, RI
21	Frank Lev Makrin Danielle Erica Robinson	Plainville, MA Plainville, MA
28	Robert Thomas MacMurray Mary Elizabeth Martin	Bellingham, MA Franklin, MA
28	Scott Francis Johns Allison Lee Volpicelli	Hopedale, MA Hopedale, MA
28	Jason Michael Platt Rebecca Catherine Drake	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

JULY

29	David William White Rosane De Oliveira Nascimento	Woonsocket, RI Bellingham, MA
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AUGUST

4	Christopher R. Messier Angel L. Therrien	West Warwick, RI West Warwick, RI
9	John Anthony Mogan Stephanie Marie Conners	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
10	Carol-Ann Handlin Marnye Phelps Mulligan	Framingham, MA Woonsocket, RI
11	Christopher Oliveira Gina Marie Padula	No. Smithfield, RI Bellingham, MA
11	Jason Eric Lacasse Jennifer Ann Gannon	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
12	Paul Stanley Gerrish Moirra Anne Gallagher	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
18	Noah Bryan Collins Holly Marie Thomas	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
18	Nicholas Mark Ceurvels Lindsey Christine Chassie	Millville, MA Millville, MA
18	Kevin Michael Drennan Kimberly Anne Judkins	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
24	Bryan Guy Jessica Anne Vega	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
25	Kevin Bruce Smith Kelly Ann Dailey	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
25	Paul Anthony Callahan Leona Jean Foren	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
25	Brian Malcolm MacNeil Kate Murphy Zanoni	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
25	Ryan Alan Norftill Kristy Lynn Gariepy	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI

AUGUST

31	Steven Michael Buzzell	Bellingham, MA
	Amy Katherine Dona	Bellingham, MA

31	David Paul Downey	Bellingham, MA
	Catherine A. Connor	Bellingham, MA

SEPTEMBER

8	Jarrold Michael Cook	Bellingham, MA
	Kimberly Anne Scotland	Bellingham, MA

8	Michael Anthony Ricciardi	Bellingham, MA
	Julie Ann Wolcott	Bellingham, MA

8	Robert Albert Peterson, II	Blackstone, MA
	Rachel Jane Ouellette	Blackstone, MA

15	Thayer Andrew Wheeler	Wrentham, MA
	Amanda Jean Desjarlais	Wrentham, MA

16	Michael Joseph Odabashian	Providence, RI
	Whitney Scott Russell	Providence, RI

21	Gary A. Gassett, Jr.	Woonsocket, RI
	Lakecia Nicole Porter	Woonsocket, RI

22	Brian G. Bentley	Bellingham, MA
	Nicole Marie Ganley	Bellingham, MA

22	John T. Maloney	Bellingham, MA
	Jennifer Marie Reilly	Bellingham, MA

22	Jeffrey Charles Allard	Woonsocket, RI
	Kelly Ann Price	Woonsocket, RI

23	Igor Damascena de Assuncao	Bellingham, MA
	Jessica Morse	Bellingham, MA

29	James R. Maher	Bellingham, MA
	Gale A. DiDonato	Bellingham, MA

30	Ronald Louis Bernier, III	Woonsocket, RI
	Sarah Ann McGinnis	Woonsocket, RI

OCTOBER

6	Nicholas Paul Nelson Anne Elizabeth Conroy	Bridgeport, CT Bellingham, MA
6	Jeffrey Stuart Thurston Jennifer Marie Axon	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
7	Neil Michael Young Beth Ann Evers	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
7	Edwin Douglas Lloyd Lisa Ann Flevaris	Bellingham, MA Chelmsford, MA
13	Timothy James Kiley Katherine Shaw Sparrow	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
13	Marc Shawn Wasserman Nicole Marie Dutremble	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
13	Daniel Maurice Gauvin Penelope Lefter Allen	Pawtucket, RI Bellingham, MA
13	Joseph John Gile Kristen Loretta Brennan	Tewksbury, MA Bellingham, MA
15	Falgun S. Patel Hiral Harishbhai Patel	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
20	Benjamin Paul Richards Amy Louise McNiff	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
20	Keith James Madden Susan Elizabeth Kelly	Framingham, MA Framingham, MA
20	Ethen Cameorn Dunbar Eleonora V. Taran	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
21	Christopher M. Rapacioli Jennifer L. Loxsom	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
27	Steven Michael Pleau Michelle Anne Aloma	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

NOVEMBER

3	Belkacem Seddiki Kelly Ann Marcoux	Woonsocket, RI Webster, MA
3	Sean Edward Lucey Andrea Lynne Mallett	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
3	Steven Douglas Choiniere, Jr. Nicole Danielle Latraverse	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
10	Aric Hans Gabrielson Debra Janet Jarret	No. Smithfield, RI No. Smithfield, RI
10	Brian Andrew Tomlin Kelly Jean Marchand	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
10	Albano De Melo Morais Arminda Cambedo Chaves	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
11	Craig Wayne Higden Nicole Marie Brennan	Milford, MA Milford, MA
30	Evan Joseph Proulx Michelle Lea Montgomery	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

DECEMBER

22	Walter John Beaudet Janet Michele Maclure	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
26	Kenneth James Depew Rita Amandel Zaya Al-Amrawy	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
27	Raymond Timothy Desrosiers Jennifer Janet Boylen	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
29	Joshua Edward Saucier Christie Noel Hazard	Harrisville, RI Harrisville, RI
31	Timothy Chad Miarecki Jessica Ann MacPhee	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

IN THE YEAR 2007

DATE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	AGE
JANUARY		
10	Robert D. Hyland	84
15	Jeannette F. (Plante) Trudeau	90
16	George J. Flynn	53
22	June E. (Read) Brodeur	65
27	Virginia M. (MacDougall) Eldredge	89
28	Judith A. (Benes) Collins	57
30	Michael Vongsavath	35
31	Miriam Arlene (Willock) Grover	81
FEBRUARY		
7	Yvonne (Cyr) Pominville	80
11	Norbert John Leclaire, Jr.	53
13	Charles E. Richards	84
13	Rita M. (Nault) Casavant	82
13	Donald E. Wheaton	67
21	Melvin Robert Morrissey	76
22	Doris T. (Nickerson) Weir	79
25	Richard G. Nickerson	79
26	Mercedes Y. Navas	64
MARCH		
4	Helene A. (Young) Howe	77
9	Rasma D. (Apsitis) Ferris	71
12	Robert R. Boulris	71
21	Mary Anne (Hoothay) Arcand	64
25	Janet Virginia (Coplen) Kirby	64
28	Edward F. Lambert	78
APRIL		
3	John H. Thompson	59
3	Alice W. (Wellman) Saunders	74
6	Esther J. (Jurkowski) Noga	87
9	Carl H. DeVasto	60
24	Mildred C. (Volpicelli) Hazard	82

APRIL

26	Russell Lee Young	80
26	Rosa Mae (Mallory) Young	89
27	Andrew T. Sarkisian	28
30	Ernest Harold Cooper	83

MAY

6	Helen O. (Gazaille) Grenier	93
10	William F. Moseley	78
11	Dorothy K. (Fanning) Buerger	86
13	Gertrude Irene (Ashworth) Wood	80
15	Lawrence W. Whitney	75
21	Ruth F. (Drummond) Holloway	64
26	Margaret Lamarche	80

JUNE

8	Aulis W. Aho	95
18	Barbara Jean (Merritt) Pappas	75
20	Normand R. Plante	78
24	Doris Margaret (Rondeau) Roberts	84
28	David Almeida	83

JULY

1	Frederick P. Balboni	86
1	Edward W. Fralin, Jr.	64
1	Cynthia A. (Mason) Zaidi	67
5	Alice Elizabeth (Francis) Manning	87
6	John J. Golden	77
6	Yvonne Emma (Lataille) Pelletier	96
9	George A. Davis	88
10	Robert W. Lewis	71
15	Irene H. (Burroughs) Zajac	79
18	Laurel A. (Hilchey) Bentley	63
19	Angeline P. (Duffany) Altomonte	92
23	Beverly A. (Petersen) Puddester	50
27	Carla M. (Tebbetts) Ranney	68
30	Anita M. (Volkman) Glockner	84

AUGUST

4	Carol A. (Nelson) Fralin	70
5	Rita (Kelly) Paul	88
14	Ryley-May Johnson	2 Months
15	Audrey A. (Murphy) DeSario	70
18	Joseph Albert Dupuis	65
24	Dorothy J. (Schlecht) Rainsford	80
28	Michelle M. DeMarco	29

SEPTEMBER

3	Normand E. Desrosiers	75
8	Theresa A. (Labonte) Yeaton	84
21	Ruth (Wolff) Kennedy	82
23	Norma M. (Cook) Renaud	68
29	Robert E. Benway	69

OCTOBER

2	Paul M. Bassett	85
2	Kenneth Robert Burd	54
6	Isabelle C. (Donnell) Thayer	90
9	Tracy Lee (Parsons) Flavin	36
16	Joseph F. Spas	85
22	Walter D. Stephansky, Jr.	44
26	Anna (Zajac) Hoothay	93
29	Jill E. Guisti	43
29	Rosemary Clerc	56

NOVEMBER

4	George Putnam Sturgis, II	44
4	Lauren J. (Saunders) Harper	48
7	Elsie F. (Raposa) McGrath	92
13	Ronald O. Powers	72
15	Richard K. Taylor	59
22	Christine M. (Kane) Neale	62
25	Mary A. (Mullen) Gallagher	84
28	Steven P. Rowean	39

DECEMBER

4	Roger G. Parenteau	64
10	Deborah J. Roberts	49
17	William Robert McShea	83
24	Clara M. (Converse) Garvin	77



BELLINGHAM AUXILIARY POLICE

45 Newland Avenue

Bellingham, MA 02019

(508) 883-4158

Chief, Eugene Bartlett

Bellingham Auxiliary Police Annual Report – 2007

The primary function of the Bellingham Auxiliary police department is to assist the Bellingham Police department in the event of an emergency. It is not our intent or desire to take over any work that is customarily assigned to the regular police department. However, we do give freely of our time when asked to supplement the regular police department. The Bellingham Auxiliary police department is available to all non-profit organizations. Persons seeking an application to join must be a resident of the town of Bellingham for at least one (1) year and must be 21 (twenty-one) years of age.

The Auxiliary Police department has contributed many hours throughout the year to various events in the town of Bellingham and other various local surrounding towns for traffic and crowd control. The Auxiliary police have logged numerous miles and personnel hours by patrolling all schools, parks, churches, cemeteries, town properties and assisting the Bellingham police department with accidents.

The Auxiliary police also participate in the following events:

High school home football games	11 officers
High school graduation exercises	2 officers
Memorial Day parade	19 officers
4 th of July celebration	12 officers
Santa parade, Milford, MA	4 officers
Concerts on the common	10 officers
Lighting of the trees in town common	1 officer
Parade, Holliston, MA	7 officers
BAA Marathon, Hopkinton, MA	7 officers
Town Halloween coverage	14 officers
Pan Mass Challenge Bike Ride	3 officers
Town Common Special Events Days	3 officers

All officers have completed CPR; First Responder and Defibrillator classes conducted by Sergeant Edward Guzowski and have also completed in-house training, uniform and weapons inspections and training films conducted by the Bellingham Auxiliary training



BELLINGHAM AUXILIARY POLICE

45 Newland Avenue
Bellingham MA 02019
508-883-4158

CHIEF

Eugene F. Bartlett

DEPUTY CHIEF

Jim Eames

Chief:	Eugene F. Bartlett	
Deputy Chief:	James Eames	Vehicle Maintenance/Training Officer
Captain:	Earle Vater	Communication, Self-Defense Training, Radio Officer
1 st Lt:	G. Steven Schreffler	Secretary, Assistant Training Officer
2 nd Lt:	Joseph Matkowski	Supply, Assistant Training Officer, Assistant Range Officer
Sergeants:	John Kauker Thomas Kierstead Ronald Mason	Treasurer, Training Officer, Sector Sergeant Assistant Training Coordinator, Sector Sergeant Cruiser, Church Coordinator, Sector Sergeant
Patrol Officers:	Fred Savoie Jr. Michael Sabourin Dana Lovejoy Mark Duquette Robert Dickinson Craig Riolo Justin Ridenaur Steven Daigle Thomas Marston John Dealmedian	



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

6 Mechanic Street
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BOARD MEMBERS

Walter DePaolo
Vincent Forte
Camille Vaillant

Board of Health Annual Report 2007

Michael Graf
Agent
Laura Renaud
Adm. Asst.

In 2007 the Bellingham Board of Health continued its efforts to protect and promote good health throughout the community. The three member board, by setting objectives and continually monitoring its progress, fully utilized the skills, knowledge, and hard work of the full-time Board of Health personnel and contractors in carrying out its duties and achieving its overall goals.

Throughout 2007, the membership of the Bellingham Board of Health consisted of Chairman Camille R. Vaillant, Vice Chairman Vincent A. Forte Jr., and member Walter J. DePaolo.

The full-time Health Agent, Michael Graf, has continued to serve the Board throughout the year, conducting inspections, enforcing health regulations and most importantly, working closely with the local business and residents to train and educate them in the areas of food safety, sanitation, minimum housing requirements, and various other applicable regulations.

The full-time Board of Health Clerk, Laura Renaud, has continued to be indispensable to the Bellingham Board of Health by managing all the administrative functions of the department. In addition to her administrative duties, Ms. Renaud has been responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Community Septic Management Program (CSMP) for the Board of Health as well. This program, offered by the state, has allowed the Board of Health to make low-interest loans (at 2% interest rate) to homeowners for the purpose of repairing failing septic systems. To date, through the CSMP, the Board of Health has loaned \$303,112.98 to Bellingham homeowners.

In its efforts to provide the highest quality healthcare to Bellingham residents, the Board of Health once again selected the Visiting Nurse Service of Greater Woonsocket (VNSGW) to perform certain health/medical care, maintenance and reporting services. These services are provided with no direct cost to any Bellingham resident who utilizes VNSGW.

The Board of Health continued to work with the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Program to promote spraying and other mosquito control measures throughout Bellingham. Emphasis was placed on spring larvicide treatments, which are safer and more effective because they target mosquitoes at their immature non-biting stage in uninhabited wetlands. In 2007 a common virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE)

began to appear in other Massachusetts communities in close proximity to Bellingham. The progress of this virus, and those affected, was closely monitored by the Bellingham Board of Health in conjunction with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Food safety is, and always has been a priority for the Bellingham Board of Health, therefore, to insure the safest handling of food within Bellingham restaurants and markets, the board contracted with two independent food service inspectors. Throughout 2007, these inspectors worked diligently to keep up with the ambitious inspection schedule established by the board. Moreover, these contractors are paid, not with taxpayer dollars, but from food service permit fees collected annually.

Finally, the Bellingham Board of Health, recognizing the potential for major public health emergencies, has been making significant efforts to prepare a response for any health crisis. Boards of Health members and staff have participated in various trainings associated with public health emergency preparedness. Also, the Board of Health has been working with other Bellingham town officials and departments in drafting its public health emergency plans. Moreover, the Board of Health will be exploring mutual aid agreements with neighboring communities in 2008. This is a new concept for health departments but could prove to be valuable in providing or receiving assistance during a time of crisis.

Permits for 2007 **Total Fees Collected \$53,020.50**

32 Retail Food Permits	2 Tanning Establishment Permits
55 Food Establishments Permits	12 Massage Permits - Individuals
2 Mobile Food Permits	2 Massage Permits - Establishments
10 Temporary Food Permits	1 Motel Permit
27 Tobacco Vendor Permits	2 Semi-Public Pool Permit
40 Disposal Works Installer Permits	2 Burial Agent Permits
48 repaired Septic Systems	1 Well Permits
2 New Septic Systems	3 Syringe Permits
17 Septage Haulers Permits	2 Rubbish Hauler Permits
90 Septic Construction Inspections	
60 Soil Tests Witnessed	1 Residential Kitchen

102 Total Number of Restaurants Inspected

2 Campground Permits

50 Total amount of Septic Permits Issued

50 Total amounts of complaints investigated

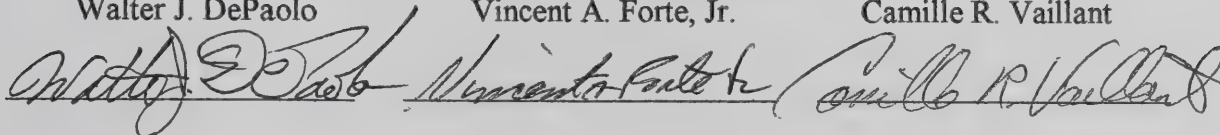
Bellingham Board of Health

Respectfully,

Walter J. DePaolo

Vincent A. Forte, Jr.

Camille R. Vaillant

Three handwritten signatures in cursive script are written over a horizontal line. The first signature on the left is for Walter J. DePaolo, the middle one is for Vincent A. Forte, Jr., and the one on the right is for Camille R. Vaillant.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

Office of the BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Bellingham Municipal Center
10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

Tel: 508-657-2830
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Report of the Board of Registrars for 2007

The Board of Registrars elected Republican Gordon D. Curtis as Chairman for 2007. Other members include Republican Dr. Mary Ambler, Democrats Bruce W. Lord and Kathleen M. Harvey. Town Clerk, Mrs. Harvey also serves as Clerk to the Board.

Voter Registration sessions were held as required by law for all town meetings and town elections throughout the year. A breakdown of voters, by party and party affiliation as of December 31, 2007 as follows:

Pct.#	Democrat	Libertarian	Green Rainbow, etc.	Republican	Unenrolled	Total
1	560	5	3	272	1101	1942
2	508	12	3	232	1030	1787
3	577	8	1	267	1108	1962
4	563	10	3	330	1258	2164
5	691	8	3	208	938	1849
TOTALS						
	2899	43	13	1309	5435	9704

We again wish to remind residents of some of the laws they should be aware of regarding voter registration.

When voters move from one street address to another within the town they are required to file a written change of address notice with the Board of Registrars. This can be done in the Town Clerk's office or you may have a form sent to your home.

Minors who will become 18 years of age prior to any election or town meeting, may register to vote before the final day of voter registration, even though they are not eighteen years of age on the date of registration.

New residents may register to vote on their first day of residence in Bellingham and become immediately eligible to vote at all subsequent elections and town meetings, provided the registration is prior to the deadline for that particular election or meeting.

Mail-in voter registration forms are available at the Registry of Motor Vehicles, the Bellingham Public Library, the Bellingham Post Office or by calling the Town Clerk's office at 508-657-2830 and an application will be sent through the mail. You may also e-mail the Town Clerk at kharvey@bellinghamma.org and an application will be mailed.

ANNUAL TOWN CENSUS

The Board of Registrars conducted the Annual Town Census in January and mailed 5,978 census forms – one to each household in Town. The Town's population as of January 1, 2007 was certified as 15,714. This was an increase of 69 residents over the 2006 total of 15,645..

(a complete tabulation of the town population back to 1765, is shown separately in the Town Clerk's report).

The town resident population of all persons 18 years of age or older is 12,206. Of this figure 9,704 persons are registered to vote, that is 79.51% of the eligible electorate.

In 2007, females again outnumber the males in town by 396. Female tallies are 8,055 compared to the male resident population of 7,659.

AGE STATISTICS

Infants	0 through 5	1,132
School Age Children	6 through 17	2,376
College Age	18 through 21	899
Adults	22 through 59	8,856
Seniors	60 through 89	2,422
"Super Seniors"	90 and over	29

TOTAL	15,714
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A breakdown on ages will follow this report.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots are available for all elections throughout the year for registered voters who will be unable to vote at the polls on election day due to:

- ☐ being absent from the Town of Bellingham during the normal polling hours; or
- ☐ physical disability preventing them from going to the polling place; or
- ☐ religious belief

TO RECEIVE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT THROUGH THE MAIL:

- ☐ Call the Town Clerk's Office at 508-657-2830; fax a request to: 508-657-2832 or e-mail kharry@bellinghamma.org and an application will be sent to you.
- ☐ Send a written letter requesting a ballot be mailed to you and where to mail the ballot.
- ☐ Come into the office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours and vote by absentee ballot in person.

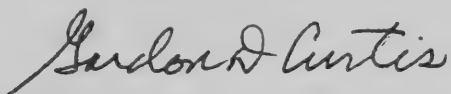
REGULAR OFFICE HOURS in the Bellingham Municipal Center are:

Mondays	8:30 AM until 7:00 PM
Tuesday through Thursday	8:30 AM until 4:30 PM
Fridays	8:30 AM until 1:00 PM

State laws mandate the deadline for voting by absentee ballot is 12 noon the day before the election.

In closing, the board wishes to thank Assistant Town Clerk Florence MacLaughlin for her assistance to the board and the citizens of Bellingham during this election year.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gordon D. Curtis
Board of Registrars, Chairman

2007

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
ANNUAL TOWN CENSUS

2007

Year of Birth	Age as of 01/01/07	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS		Year of Birth	Age as of 01/01/05	MALE	FEMALE	TOTALS	
1908	98	0	2	2		1956	50	130	127	257	
1909	97	1	0	1		1957	49	139	131	270	
1910	96	0	1	1		1958	48	141	128	269	
1911	95	0	0	0		1959	47	133	135	268	
1912	94	1	0	1		1960	46	174	139	313	
1913	93	0	4	4	Super	1961	45	152	179	331	
1914	92	1	5	6	Seniors	1962	44	164	163	327	
1915	91	2	5	7	90+years	1963	43	150	164	314	
1916	90	0	7	7	29	1964	42	157	163	320	
1917	89	5	13	18		1965	41	160	156	316	
1918	88	8	13	21		1966	40	128	151	279	
1919	87	7	6	13		1967	39	129	144	273	
1920	86	8	18	26		1968	38	129	160	289	
1921	85	17	23	40		1969	37	132	146	278	
1922	84	13	22	35		1970	36	138	140	278	
1923	83	11	31	42		1971	35	125	126	251	
1924	82	27	31	58		1972	34	121	123	244	
1925	81	21	31	52		1973	33	110	113	223	
1926	80	28	45	73		1974	32	88	114	202	
1927	79	30	43	73		1975	31	98	98	196	
1928	78	29	38	67		1976	30	81	93	174	
1929	77	27	49	76		1977	29	101	90	191	
1930	76	31	60	91		1978	28	79	97	176	
1931	75	33	39	72		1979	27	75	76	151	
1932	74	30	38	68		1980	26	66	77	143	
1933	73	27	35	62		1981	25	70	89	159	
1934	72	40	50	90		1982	24	70	67	137	
1935	71	46	50	96		1983	23	84	82	166	
1936	70	43	63	106		1984	22	90	76	166	
1937	69	43	44	87		1985	21	105	91	196	
1938	68	63	46	109		1986	20	102	133	235	18 th
1939	67	39	62	101		1987	19	116	106	222	59 ye
1940	66	44	54	98		1988	18	119	127	246	97
1941	65	57	68	125		1989	17	124	107	231	
1942	64	57	71	128		1990	16	103	112	215	
1943	63	71	86	157		1991	15	105	116	221	
1944	62	55	74	129	60 thru	1992	14	109	95	204	
1945	61	62	75	137	89 yrs.	1993	13	110	93	203	
1946	60	90	82	172	2422	1994	12	97	103	200	
1947	59	98	85	183		1995	11	84	95	179	
1948	58	105	123	228		1996	10	106	83	189	
1949	57	91	106	197		1997	9	88	106	194	
1950	56	89	101	190		1998	8	99	90	189	6 th
1951	55	104	98	202		1999	7	84	90	174	17 ye
1952	54	111	100	211		2000	6	89	88	177	23
1953	53	113	110	223		2001	5	82	79	161	
1954	52	119	119	238		2002	4	112	107	219	
1955	51	117	106	223		2003	3	115	82	197	
						2004	2	86	91	177	0 th
Males:	7659					2005	1	95	91	186	5 ye
Females:	8055					2006	0	101	91	192	11
Total:											
		TOTAL									
				15714							



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02019

The past year presented many challenges to the Town of Bellingham's Municipal government but as always our dedicated officials and employees have dealt with every adversity. The common goal we all share is to provide the highest level of services and accountability to the citizens we proudly serve.

Economic turmoil persists throughout the country, state and within our own community. Escalating foreclosures and dwindling housing starts reflect the difficult challenges faced by homeowners and business operators alike. Our goal during the past year, which will continue for the foreseeable future, is to take a conservative approach to any new initiative.

Over the past year, Bellingham was fortunate to receive several state and federal grants to assist with ongoing projects. Specifically, both the Caryville Mill housing project, as well as the Town Hall restoration, received a significant boost in funding. The Mill project has received a \$200,000 Brownfield Grant along with a \$100,000 legislative grant. These funds would not have been realized without the hard work of our legislative delegation including Rep. Jennifer Callahan and State Senator Richard Moore. These two have been key contributors to the advancement of these projects and we are proud to have them representing our community.

Each year brings with it goodbyes to colleagues as well as welcoming newly elected officials. This past year is no different. Jerry Mayhew served the Board with distinction and honor for 12 years. We thank him for his service and know he will stay involved in Town government as he has for the past 30 years. Kathleen Harvey, Town Clerk since 1986, announced her pending retirement and will step down in May. Kathy has been one of the most trusted and well respected public officials ever to serve this community. We wish Jerry and Kathy the very best.

The year ahead will present many opportunities and we are confident the dedicated elected and appointed Town Boards, Committees and officials will continue to produce the highest level of service to the residents we serve.

Ann L Odabashian, Chairwoman
Richard J. Martinelli, Vice Chairman
Ronald L. Picard
Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr.
Dawn M. Davies



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

TOWN HALL ANNEX

4 Mechanic Street

Bellingham, Massachusetts 02019

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Report of the Chief Financial Officer

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61, of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit the annual report of the Chief Financial Officer for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007.

The Treasurer-Collector's cash was examined and found to be in balance. An audit of fiscal 2007 was performed and the results were publicly presented to the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee. The audit results from fiscal 2007 are included in this report. This information is available in the office of the Town Clerk and also on our web site, www.bellinghamma.org.

Various financial reports are included in my annual report and cover all departments under the direction of the Finance Office including the Treasurer-Collector, Accounting, Assessors and Management Information Systems. All accounts are maintained under the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) as promulgated by the state of Massachusetts and the Deputy Commissioner of Revenue. The method of accounting used is a cash basis/modified accrual fund basis that brings the town's accounting methods more closely into a GAAP basis of accounting that is used nationally. We implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board (G.A.S.B.) Statement No. 34 in fiscal 2003 as mandated and are in our fifth year of full compliance with all audit requirements. This presents a completely new format of reporting for all municipalities in the country. This new presentation of financial information was first reflected in the fiscal 2003 financial statements and continues in this annual report.

We are now preparing to implement Governmental Accounting Standard Board (G.A.S.B.) Statement No. 45 in fiscal 2008. This statement mandates that all cities and towns perform periodic actuarial valuations to determine annual accounting costs for any benefit that is provided after retirement, except for pension benefits. We must also disclose a running tally of the extent to which these costs are over or under funded.

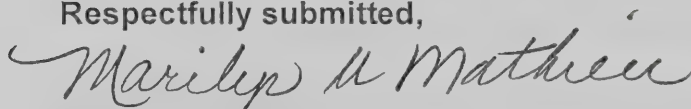
Fiscal 2007 was a fairly successful year for the town of Bellingham in spite of a weakened economy and reduced state aid. We have again pursued delinquent taxes aggressively. This contributed to our overall financial health. Continued financial management and planning are of utmost importance. The Financial Office continues to maintain a conservative approach to both revenue forecasting and expense budgeting. We continue to strive to provide the citizens of Bellingham with high quality, low cost services. Our web site is constantly undergoing improvements in order to provide citizens with current information from their desktops.

Many challenges lie in the months and years ahead. All communities in the state are feeling the economic decline; the Commonwealth is grappling with severe budget deficits and decreasing revenues. Careful financial management will insure that all services continue to be provided at reasonable cost to the citizens of Bellingham. We must maintain our financial "health" and fiscal prudence. The Finance Department strives to provide "oversight" for all financial assets of the town. We will be actively pursuing any and all measures to conserve revenues while streamlining proceeds used to provide service to the town of Bellingham and its citizenry.

As part of our commitment to maintaining accountability and financial transparency, the Board of Selectmen requested the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services, to review all financial practices of the town of Bellingham in Fiscal 2007. The report is available as a link on the towns' web site, www.bellinghamma.org.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the office of the Town Administrator and the Finance Committee for their continued support. Also, I would like to thank all town departments for their cooperation, as their support has been vital.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marilyn A. Mathieu".

Marilyn A. Mathieu

Chief Financial Officer/MIS Director

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND REPORT

This report details all Special Revenue Funds that the town of Bellingham maintains throughout the year by type:

Fund 200-299	School Grant Funds
Fund 300-399	School/Town Capital Project Funds
Fund 400-499	Town Grant Funds
Fund 500-599	School Revolving and/or Gift Funds
Fund 600-699	Town Revolving and/or Gift Funds
Fund 700-799	Trust Funds
Fund 800-899	School/Town Agency Funds

Please note that the balances reported are Fund Balances: therefore, a negative fund balance indicates a positive balance remaining.

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
2020 SCHOOL LUNCH							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,398.30	-17,640.79			-20,039.09		-20,039.09
42920 SCHOOL LUNCH-RECEIPTS			542,609.48				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			181,298.13				
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				182,728.03			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				103,330.71			
51190 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE				637.94			
51192 SCHOOL DEPT. SUBSTITUTES				9,792.00			
51450 SCHOOL DEPT CUSTODIANS							
51500 OVERTIME WAGES				2,913.41			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				105,195.84			
54161 SCHOOL LUNCH SUPPLIES				301,668.89			
Total 2020 SCHOOL LUNCH	-2,398.30	-17,640.79	723,907.61	706,266.82	-20,039.09		-20,039.09
2030 N C SHERIFF'S DARE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-41.11				-41.11		-41.11
Total 2030 N C SHERIFF'S DARE GRANT	-41.11				-41.11		-41.11
2040 SCHOOL CHOICE, REC TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-116,223.00	116,223.00		-116,223.00		-116,223.00
43209 SCHOOL CHOICE TUITION							
Total 2040 SCHOOL CHOICE, REC TUITION		-116,223.00	116,223.00		-116,223.00		-116,223.00
2050 CPC (E.C.CH188)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			94,757.00				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				23,413.00			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				48,431.63			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				3,253.00			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				18,326.06			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				50.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				1,283.31			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2050 CPC (E.C.CH188)			94,757.00	94,757.00			
2060 SPED EARLY CHILD GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		7,301.50			7,301.50		7,301.50
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			21,209.50				
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				15,479.75			
52270 PENSION IN GRANTS 9%				1,393.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				11,638.25			
Total 2060 SPED EARLY CHILD GRANT		7,301.50	21,209.50	28,511.00	7,301.50		7,301.50

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2090 CIRCUIT BREAKER FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-87,831.00			-87,831.00		-87,831.00
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			313,677.00				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				225,846.00			
Total 2090 CIRCUIT BREAKER FUND		-87,831.00	313,677.00	225,846.00	-87,831.00		-87,831.00
2100 SPED 94-142 ALLOC							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			630,542.00				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				388,257.80			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				157,025.59			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				31,130.00			
52270 PENSION IN GRANTS 9%				40,570.56			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				3,727.60			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				3,764.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				6,066.45			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2100 SPED 94-142 ALLOC			630,542.00	630,542.00			
2250 DRUG FREE SCHOOLS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			7,076.00				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				1,993.75			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				3,550.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				125.00			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				1,407.25			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2250 DRUG FREE SCHOOLS			7,076.00	7,076.00			
2290 SPED COLLABORATIVE, ALT HIGH							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
42410 TUITION - SPED COLLABORATIVE	-164,739.43	81,173.24	604,248.31		-83,566.19		-83,566.19
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				3,561.26			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				83,835.64			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				433,476.42			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				92,297.63			
51450 SCHOOL DEPT CUSTODIANS				38,625.60			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				33,625.00			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2290 SPED COLLABORATIVE, ALT HIGH	-164,739.43	81,173.24	604,248.31	685,421.55	-83,566.19		-83,566.19
2300 SPECIAL EDUCATION TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
42410 TUITION - SPED COLLABORATIVE	-73,593.46	12,417.61	81.88		-61,175.85		-61,175.85
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				12,499.49			
Total 2300 SPECIAL EDUCATION TUITION	-73,593.46	12,417.61	81.88	12,499.49	-61,175.85		-61,175.85

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
2310 EARLY CHILDHOOD TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-45,718.97	-47,683.41	258,412.69		-93,402.38		-93,402.38
42411 TUITION - EARLY CHILDHOOD				1,685.67			
51192 SCHOOL DEPT. SUBSTITUTES				22,439.05			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				13,865.26			
51230 SCHOOL DEPT OFFICE PERSONNEL				119,429.40			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				50,462.40			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				828.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				62.50			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				1,610.00			
54120 BLDG/CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS				347.00			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2310 EARLY CHILDHOOD TUITION	-45,718.97	-47,683.41	258,412.69	210,729.28	-93,402.38		-93,402.38
2440 TITLE I							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		13,442.20			13,442.20		13,442.20
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			78,116.00	5,000.00			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				60,969.75			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				2,066.90			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				4,012.00			
52270 PENSION IN GRANTS 9%				2,350.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				5,693.57			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				45.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				11,420.98			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2440 TITLE I		13,442.20	78,116.00	91,558.20	13,442.20		13,442.20
2450 TITLE I							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-7,680.27	7,680.27		529.24			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				1,645.00			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				641.60			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				4,864.43			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2450 TITLE I	-7,680.27	7,680.27		7,680.27			
2470 SECONDARY SCHOOL READING GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			4,989.00	1,225.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				745.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				358.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				245.00			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				2,416.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
2500 TITLE V (FORMERLY TITLE VI)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			1,575.00	500.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				500.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				575.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2500 TITLE V (FORMERLY TITLE VI)			1,575.00	1,575.00			
2690 SPED PROG IMPROVE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			22,611.00	5,485.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				1,097.52			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				12,985.00			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				1,990.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				1,053.48			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2690 SPED PROG IMPROVE GRANT			22,611.00	22,611.00			
2880 ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			7,350.00	1,250.00			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				5,570.11			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				529.89			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2880 ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES			7,350.00	7,350.00			
2900 TITLE II, PART A: IMPRV ED QUAL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		25,247.00	25,246.00	13,515.00	25,247.00		25,247.00
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				27,397.90			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				5,030.90			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				4,549.20			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2900 TITLE II, PART A: IMPRV ED QUAL		25,247.00	25,246.00	50,493.00	25,247.00		25,247.00
2910 TITLE II D, ENHANC ED/TECH FRM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			1,152.00	500.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				402.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				250.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2910 TITLE II D, ENHANC ED/TECH FRM			1,152.00	1,152.00			

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
2940 ACADEMIC SUMMER SUPPORT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			8,034.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				750.00			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				2,356.25			
52080 TRANSFER TO STATE AGENCY-DOE				4,443.75			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				484.00			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2940 ACADEMIC SUMMER SUPPORT			8,034.00	8,034.00			
*** Grand Total ***	-294,171.54	-122,116.38	2,919,207.99	2,797,091.61	-416,287.92		-416,287.92

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: FER

FY: 2007 to 2007

Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2006 to 30-Jun-2007

Fund: 2020 to 2960

Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
3010 SEWER PROJECT-PHASE I & II							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-96,647.08				-96,647.08		-96,647.08
Total 3010 SEWER PROJECT-PHASE I & II	-96,647.08				-96,647.08		-96,647.08
3030 SEWER-PHASE III							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-20,460.44				-20,460.44		-20,460.44
Total 3030 SEWER-PHASE III	-20,460.44				-20,460.44		-20,460.44
3040 SRP/PH III SEWER EXPANSION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	26,937.32				26,937.32		26,937.32
Total 3040 SRP/PH III SEWER EXPANSION	26,937.32				26,937.32		26,937.32
3080 PHASE 3 SEWER PLANNING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-38,182.02				-38,182.02		-38,182.02
Total 3080 PHASE 3 SEWER PLANNING	-38,182.02				-38,182.02		-38,182.02
3090 WELL SITE ID/GENERATOR SPECS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,105.94				-6,105.94		-6,105.94
Total 3090 WELL SITE ID/GENERATOR SPECS	-6,105.94				-6,105.94		-6,105.94
3160 ROAD BOND (2005) 1.2 MILLION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-581,822.51	444,514.73		444,514.73	-137,307.78		-137,307.78
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3160 ROAD BOND (2005) 1.2 MILLION	-581,822.51	444,514.73		444,514.73	-137,307.78		-137,307.78
3230 WELL # 12 ENG/LAND (FY 1995)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-105,029.39	50,471.61		50,471.61	-54,557.78		-54,557.78
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3230 WELL # 12 ENG/LAND (FY 1995)	-105,029.39	50,471.61		50,471.61	-54,557.78		-54,557.78
3350 DEPOT STREET BRIDGE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,981.41				-3,981.41		-3,981.41
Total 3350 DEPOT STREET BRIDGE	-3,981.41				-3,981.41		-3,981.41
3400 BOX POND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-9,623.05				-9,623.05		-9,623.05
Total 3400 BOX POND	-9,623.05				-9,623.05		-9,623.05
3550 TOWN COMPUTER LEASE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-27,036.78	6,672.50			-20,364.28		-20,364.28

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				6,672.50			
Total 3550 TOWN COMPUTER LEASE	-27,036.78	6,672.50		6,672.50	-20,364.28		-20,364.28
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3580 TOWN HALL RENOVATE(1998) 1.6M							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-11,653.11	11,653.11		1,025.00			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				6,242.38			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				4,385.73			
58510 CAPITAL OUTLAY-EQUIPMENT							
Total 3580 TOWN HALL RENOVATE(1998) 1.6M	-11,653.11	11,653.11		11,653.11			
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3640 MAPLE ST SEWER EXTENSION(1998)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-295.16				-295.16		-295.16
Total 3640 MAPLE ST SEWER EXTENSION(1998)	-295.16				-295.16		-295.16
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3650 TITLE V SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-34,916.57	15,969.81	18,720.19		-18,946.76		-18,946.76
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS				34,690.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3650 TITLE V SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM	-34,916.57	15,969.81	18,720.19	34,690.00	-18,946.76		-18,946.76
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3740 LAND ACQUISITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-375,000.00	375,000.00		375,000.00			
57600 LONG-TERM DEBT - PRINCIPAL							
Total 3740 LAND ACQUISITION	-375,000.00	375,000.00		375,000.00			
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3760 PULASKI SEWER- ART 22 \$500K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		495,826.81		495,826.81	495,826.81		495,826.81
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3760 PULASKI SEWER- ART 22 \$500K		495,826.81		495,826.81	495,826.81		495,826.81
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3770 PULASKI (2006) ART 18 400K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		216,309.37		152,809.37	216,309.37		216,309.37
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				63,500.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 3770 PULASKI (2006) ART 18 400K		216,309.37		216,309.37	216,309.37		216,309.37
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3790 PULASKI BLVD IMPROVE(2007)370K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		155,175.13		155,175.13	155,175.13		155,175.13
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3790 PULASKI BLVD IMPROVE(2007)370K		155,175.13		155,175.13	155,175.13		155,175.13

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
*** Grand Total ***	-1,283,816.14	1,771,593.07	18,720.19	1,790,313.26	487,776.93		487,776.93

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Account Type: FER
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Fund: 3010 to 3800
Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
4010 FORMULA GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-24.59	-338.41	13,060.00	7,036.80	-363.00		-363.00
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				5,684.79			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4010 FORMULA GRANT	-24.59	-338.41	13,060.00	12,721.59	-363.00		-363.00
4020 LIBR, LIGMEG-SVCTECH-MATCH GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-44,362.80	-4,419.75	20,735.61		-48,782.55		-48,782.55
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			10,000.00				
43303 OTHER STATE REV - LSTA-LIBRARY			331.00				
43305 OTHER STATE REV - LIBR MATCH							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				4,645.27			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				3,479.75			
52505 SEMINARS/TRAINING				1,702.40			
54084 LIBRARY-MATCH GRANT FUNDS				6,705.62			
54085 TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT				10,113.82			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4020 LIBR, LIGMEG-SVCTECH-MATCH GRT	-44,362.80	-4,419.75	31,066.61	26,646.86	-48,782.55		-48,782.55
4030 ELECTIONS-EXTENDED POLLING HRS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-.58	.58	2,561.00	506.61			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				2,019.07			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				35.90			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4030 ELECTIONS-EXTENDED POLLING HRS	-.58	.58	2,561.00	2,561.58			
4050 TOBACCO CNTRL/BOH ALERT NTRWK							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,368.33	-7,600.00	7,600.00		-12,968.33		-12,968.33
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 4050 TOBACCO CNTRL/BOH ALERT NTRWK	-5,368.33	-7,600.00	7,600.00		-12,968.33		-12,968.33
4060 LAW ENFORCEMENT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	.90				.90		.90
Total 4060 LAW ENFORCEMENT	.90				.90		.90
4080 CULTURAL COUNCIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,989.70	75.07			-25,914.63		-25,914.63
42001 FEES			30.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			4,700.00				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			1,096.99				

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Total 4080 CULTURAL COUNCIL	-25,989.70	75.07	5,826.99	5,902.06	-25,914.63		-25,914.63
4090 CDBG RECAPTURE FUNDS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,822.90	6,364.94		6,364.94	3,542.04		3,542.04
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4090 CDBG RECAPTURE FUNDS	-2,822.90	6,364.94		6,364.94	3,542.04		3,542.04
4100 CDBG PROGRAM INCOME							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-105,669.86	57,551.06	2,548.94		-48,118.80		-48,118.80
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				60,100.00			
Total 4100 CDBG PROGRAM INCOME	-105,669.86	57,551.06	2,548.94	60,100.00	-48,118.80		-48,118.80
4130 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	50,498.82	-67,494.59	804,274.74		-16,995.77		-16,995.77
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				1,051.57			
58616 CAPITAL OUTLAY - MA 35327				288,108.58			
58617 CAPITAL OUTLAY - CH 291 B				306,997.00			
58618 CAPITAL OUTLAY - CH 291 C				140,623.00			
58619 CAPITAL OUTLAY - CH 90 #48198							
Total 4130 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND	50,498.82	-67,494.59	804,274.74	736,780.15	-16,995.77		-16,995.77
4140 BULLET PROOF VESTS-STATE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,993.05	-1,905.00			-14,898.05		-14,898.05
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			1,905.00				
Total 4140 BULLET PROOF VESTS-STATE GRANT	-12,993.05	-1,905.00	1,905.00		-14,898.05		-14,898.05
4170 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,768.48	-5,590.92	18,024.00	12,433.08	-10,359.40		-10,359.40
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
Total 4170 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT	-4,768.48	-5,590.92	18,024.00	12,433.08	-10,359.40		-10,359.40
4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-3,107.17	3,107.17		-3,107.17		-3,107.17
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
Total 4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT		-3,107.17	3,107.17		-3,107.17		-3,107.17
4190 SATURN POLICE PUBL SAF EQPT GR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,505.80	3,065.19		3,065.19	-3,440.61		-3,440.61
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4190 SATURN POLICE PUBL SAF EQPT GR	-6,505.80	3,065.19		3,065.19	-3,440.61		-3,440.61

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
4200 POLICE '97 BLOCK GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-54.91				-54.91		-54.91
Total 4200 POLICE '97 BLOCK GRANT	-54.91				-54.91		-54.91
4210 COMMUNITY SEPTIC MGMT PROGRAM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-15,367.29	6,271.98		5,106.48	-9,095.31		-9,095.31
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				1,165.50			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4210 COMMUNITY SEPTIC MGMT PROGRAM	-15,367.29	6,271.98		6,271.98	-9,095.31		-9,095.31
4220 COA SVC INCENTIVE GR'97							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			2,000.00	2,000.00			
43305 OTHER STATE REV - LIBR MATCH							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4220 COA SVC INCENTIVE GR'97			2,000.00	2,000.00			
4230 COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRT/R R F							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-97,255.16	145,526.42			48,271.26		48,271.26
43324 MSCDBG-HOUSING 2005 GRANT			163,000.00				
43332 DHCD PEARL ST MILL GRANT				29,905.34			
51110 DEPARTMENT HEAD SALARY				9,950.00			
51120 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL SAL				7,000.00			
51121 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL							
51122 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL							
51148 HOUSING REHAB SPECIALIST				8,250.00			
52010 ADVERTISING							
52030 TELEPHONE							
52040 PRINTING,BINDING AND COPYING							
52100 ELECTRICITY							
52240 EQUIP MAINT COSTS/CONTRACTS							
52250 DATA PROCESSING-SOFTWARE MNT							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
52500 DUES/MEMBERSHIPS							
52503 DHCD PEARL ST MILL EXPENSES							
52505 SEMINARS/TRAINING							
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL							
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				5,264.42			
54080 OFFICE EQUIPMENT							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
54240 OTHER EQUIPMENT							
58903 CAPITAL OUTLAY-CDBG LOANS							
Total 4230 COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRT/R R F	-97,255.16	145,526.42	163,000.00	312,455.17	48,271.26		48,271.26

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				3,688.69			
Total 4250 COPS MORE F/Y 99 FED GRT	-5,518.11	3,688.69		3,688.69	-1,829.42		-1,829.42
4270 SILVER LK DAM REPAIR D.E.M. GR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,187.15				-25,187.15		-25,187.15
Total 4270 SILVER LK DAM REPAIR D.E.M. GR	-25,187.15				-25,187.15		-25,187.15
4310 FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQ PROG GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-3,350.00	7,800.00		-3,350.00		-3,350.00
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				4,450.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4310 FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQ PROG GRT		-3,350.00	7,800.00	4,450.00	-3,350.00		-3,350.00
4320 TREE FOR ALL DEM FORESTRY GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,363.82				-3,363.82		-3,363.82
Total 4320 TREE FOR ALL DEM FORESTRY GRT	-3,363.82				-3,363.82		-3,363.82
4330 PLYMOUTH RD STRMWTR D E P GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	4,500.00	-4,500.00	4,500.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
Total 4330 PLYMOUTH RD STRMWTR D E P GRT	4,500.00	-4,500.00	4,500.00				
4350 ALL HAZARDS EOP GRANT (MEMA)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-156.65				-156.65		-156.65
Total 4350 ALL HAZARDS EOP GRANT (MEMA)	-156.65				-156.65		-156.65
4360 HOMELAND SECURITY-POLICE, FIRE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-39,329.51	39,329.51					
43102 FED REV THRU ST-POLICE HOMELND			12,000.00				
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
51500 OVERTIME WAGES				39,329.51			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				12,000.00			
54230 MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT							
Total 4360 HOMELAND SECURITY-POLICE, FIRE	-39,329.51	39,329.51	12,000.00	51,329.51			
4370 EMS MCI TASK FORCE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			1,000.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4370 EMS MCI TASK FORCE GRANT			1,000.00				

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
4380 WINTER ST SEWER EXT PROJ-CDBG							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			60,000.00				
49701 TRANSFER FROM SPECIAL REV FD				60,000.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4380 WINTER ST SEWER EXT PROJ-CDBG			60,000.00	60,000.00			
4390 SMART GROWTH TECH ASSIST GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	21,530.00			21,530.00	21,530.00		21,530.00
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4390 SMART GROWTH TECH ASSIST GRT	21,530.00			21,530.00	21,530.00		21,530.00
4400 OLD TOWN HALL RESTORATION GRTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-56,184.83		8,750.00		-56,184.83		-56,184.83
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			72,750.00				
43304 OTHER STATE REVENUE				25,315.17			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4400 OLD TOWN HALL RESTORATION GRTS	-56,184.83		81,500.00	25,315.17	-56,184.83		-56,184.83
4410 PEARL ST MILL DHCD GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	3,928.75		2,738.10		3,928.75		3,928.75
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				2,738.10			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4410 PEARL ST MILL DHCD GRANT	3,928.75		2,738.10	2,738.10	3,928.75		3,928.75
*** Grand Total ***	-339,738.97	132,841.52	1,224,512.55	1,357,354.07	-206,897.45		-206,897.45

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Account Type: FER

FY: 2007 to 2007

Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2006 to 30-Jun-2007

Fund: 4010 to 4430

Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
4010 FORMULA GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-24.59	-338.41			-363.00		-363.00
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			13,060.00	7,036.80			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				5,684.79			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4010 FORMULA GRANT	-24.59	-338.41	13,060.00	12,721.59	-363.00		-363.00
4020 LIBR, LIGMEG-SVCTECH-MATCH GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-44,362.80	-4,419.75			-48,782.55		-48,782.55
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			20,735.61				
43303 OTHER STATE REV - LSTA-LIBRARY			10,000.00				
43305 OTHER STATE REV - LIBR MATCH			331.00				
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				4,645.27			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				3,479.75			
52505 SEMINARS/TRAINING				1,702.40			
54084 LIBRARY-MATCH GRANT FUNDS				6,705.62			
54085 TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT				10,113.82			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4020 LIBR, LIGMEG-SVCTECH-MATCH GRT	-44,362.80	-4,419.75	31,066.61	26,646.86	-48,782.55		-48,782.55
4030 ELECTIONS-EXTENDED POLLING HRS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-.58	.58					
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			2,561.00				
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				506.61			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				2,019.07			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				35.90			
Total 4030 ELECTIONS-EXTENDED POLLING HRS	-.58	.58	2,561.00	2,561.58			
4050 TOBACCO CNTRL/BOH ALERT NTRWK							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,368.33	-7,600.00			-12,968.33		-12,968.33
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			7,600.00				
Total 4050 TOBACCO CNTRL/BOH ALERT NTRWK	-5,368.33	-7,600.00	7,600.00		-12,968.33		-12,968.33
4060 LAW ENFORCEMENT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	.90				.90		.90
Total 4060 LAW ENFORCEMENT	.90				.90		.90
4080 CULTURAL COUNCIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,989.70	75.07			-25,914.63		-25,914.63
42001 FEES			30.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			4,700.00				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			1,096.99				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				5,902.06			

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Total 4080 CULTURAL COUNCIL	-25,989.70	75.07	5,826.99	5,902.06	-25,914.63		-25,914.63
4090 CDBG RECAPTURE FUNDS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,822.90	6,364.94			3,542.04		3,542.04
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				6,364.94			
Total 4090 CDBG RECAPTURE FUNDS	-2,822.90	6,364.94		6,364.94	3,542.04		3,542.04
4100 CDBG PROGRAM INCOME							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-105,669.86	57,551.06	2,548.94		-48,118.80		-48,118.80
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT				60,100.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4100 CDBG PROGRAM INCOME	-105,669.86	57,551.06	2,548.94	60,100.00	-48,118.80		-48,118.80
4130 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	50,498.82	-67,494.59	804,274.74		-16,995.77		-16,995.77
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				1,051.57			
58616 CAPITAL OUTLAY - MA 35327				288,108.58			
58617 CAPITAL OUTLAY - CH 291 B				306,997.00			
58618 CAPITAL OUTLAY - CH 291 C				140,623.00			
58619 CAPITAL OUTLAY - CH 90 #48198							
Total 4130 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND	50,498.82	-67,494.59	804,274.74	736,780.15	-16,995.77		-16,995.77
4140 BULLET PROOF VESTS-STATE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,993.05	-1,905.00	1,905.00		-14,898.05		-14,898.05
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
Total 4140 BULLET PROOF VESTS-STATE GRANT	-12,993.05	-1,905.00	1,905.00		-14,898.05		-14,898.05
4170 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,768.48	-5,590.92	18,024.00	12,433.08	-10,359.40		-10,359.40
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
Total 4170 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT	-4,768.48	-5,590.92	18,024.00	12,433.08	-10,359.40		-10,359.40
4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-3,107.17	3,107.17		-3,107.17		-3,107.17
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
Total 4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT		-3,107.17	3,107.17		-3,107.17		-3,107.17
4190 SATURN POLICE PUBL SAF EQPT GR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,505.80	3,065.19		3,065.19	-3,440.61		-3,440.61
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							

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4200 POLICE '97 BLOCK GRANT	-54.91				-54.91		-54.91
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
Total 4200 POLICE '97 BLOCK GRANT	-54.91				-54.91		-54.91
4210 COMMUNITY SEPTIC MGMT PROGRAM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-15,367.29	6,271.98		5,106.48	-9,095.31		-9,095.31
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				1,165.50			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4210 COMMUNITY SEPTIC MGMT PROGRAM	-15,367.29	6,271.98		6,271.98	-9,095.31		-9,095.31
4220 COA SVC INCENTIVE GR '97							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			2,000.00				
43305 OTHER STATE REV - LIBR MATCH							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				2,000.00			
Total 4220 COA SVC INCENTIVE GR '97			2,000.00	2,000.00			
4230 COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRT/R R F							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-97,255.16	145,526.42			48,271.26		48,271.26
43324 MSCDBG-HOUSING 2005 GRANT			163,000.00				
43332 DHCD PEARL ST MILL GRANT				29,905.34			
51110 DEPARTMENT HEAD SALARY				9,950.00			
51120 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL SAL				7,000.00			
51121 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL							
51122 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL				8,250.00			
51148 HOUSING REHAB SPECIALIST							
52010 ADVERTISING							
52030 TELEPHONE							
52040 PRINTING,BINDING AND COPYING							
52100 ELECTRICITY							
52240 EQUIP MAINT COSTS/CONTRACTS							
52250 DATA PROCESSING-SOFTWARE MNT							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
52500 DUES/MEMBERSHIPS							
52503 DHCD PEARL ST MILL EXPENSES							
52505 SEMINARS/TRAINING							
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL							
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				5,264.42			
54080 OFFICE EQUIPMENT							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
54240 OTHER EQUIPMENT							
58903 CAPITAL OUTLAY-CDBG LOANS				252,085.41			
Total 4230 COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRT/R R F	-97,255.16	145,526.42	163,000.00	312,455.17	48,271.26		48,271.26
4250 COPS MORE F/Y 99 FED GR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,518.11	3,688.69			-1,829.42		-1,829.42

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				3,688.69			
Total 4250 COPS MORE F/Y 99 FED GRT	-5,518.11	3,688.69		3,688.69	-1,829.42		-1,829.42
4270 SILVER LK DAM REPAIR D.E.M. GR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,187.15				-25,187.15		-25,187.15
Total 4270 SILVER LK DAM REPAIR D.E.M. GR	-25,187.15				-25,187.15		-25,187.15
4310 FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQ PROG GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-3,350.00	7,800.00		-3,350.00		-3,350.00
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				4,450.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4310 FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQ PROG GRT		-3,350.00	7,800.00	4,450.00	-3,350.00		-3,350.00
4320 TREE FOR ALL DEM FORESTRY GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,363.82				-3,363.82		-3,363.82
Total 4320 TREE FOR ALL DEM FORESTRY GRT	-3,363.82				-3,363.82		-3,363.82
4330 PLYMOUTH RD STRMWTR D E P GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	4,500.00	-4,500.00	4,500.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
Total 4330 PLYMOUTH RD STRMWTR D E P GRT	4,500.00	-4,500.00	4,500.00				
4350 ALL HAZARDS EOP GRANT (MEMA)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-156.65				-156.65		-156.65
Total 4350 ALL HAZARDS EOP GRANT (MEMA)	-156.65				-156.65		-156.65
4360 HOMELAND SECURITY-POLICE, FIRE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-39,329.51	39,329.51	12,000.00				
43102 FED REV THRU ST-POLICE HOMELND							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
51500 OVERTIME WAGES				39,329.51			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				12,000.00			
54230 MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT							
Total 4360 HOMELAND SECURITY-POLICE, FIRE	-39,329.51	39,329.51	12,000.00	51,329.51			
4370 EMS MCI TASK FORCE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			1,000.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							

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4380 WINTER ST SEWER EXT PROJ-CDBG							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			60,000.00				
49701 TRANSFER FROM SPECIAL REV FD				60,000.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4380 WINTER ST SEWER EXT PROJ-CDBG			60,000.00	60,000.00			
4390 SMART GROWTH TECH ASSIST GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		21,530.00			21,530.00		21,530.00
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				21,530.00			
Total 4390 SMART GROWTH TECH ASSIST GRT		21,530.00		21,530.00	21,530.00		21,530.00
4400 OLD TOWN HALL RESTORATION GRTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-56,184.83	8,750.00		-56,184.83		-56,184.83
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			72,750.00				
43304 OTHER STATE REVENUE				25,315.17			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4400 OLD TOWN HALL RESTORATION GRTS		-56,184.83	81,500.00	25,315.17	-56,184.83		-56,184.83
4410 PEARL ST MILL DHCD GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		3,928.75			3,928.75		3,928.75
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			2,738.10				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				2,738.10			
Total 4410 PEARL ST MILL DHCD GRANT		3,928.75	2,738.10	2,738.10	3,928.75		3,928.75
*** Grand Total ***	-339,738.97	132,841.52	1,224,512.55	1,357,354.07	-206,897.45		-206,897.45

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Account Type: FER

FY: 2007 to 2007

Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2006 to 30-Jun-2007

Fund: 4010 to 4430

Account Sub Type: CP

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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5010 CABLE CLUB GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			2,185.00				
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				2,185.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 5010 CABLE CLUB GIFT			2,185.00	2,185.00			
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5020 ALTERNATIVE PRINTING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		511.34					
42001 FEES	-13,109.03		34,935.33				
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				15,865.50			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				12,963.06			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES				6,618.11			
Total 5020 ALTERNATIVE PRINTING	-13,109.03	511.34	34,935.33	35,446.67	-12,597.69		-12,597.69
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5060 SUMMER SCHOOL TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		6,401.82					
42405 TUITION - FULL TIME	-29,988.95		52,305.00				
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				29,850.00			
51430 SCHOOL DEPT LIBRARY PERSONNEL				1,912.50			
51450 SCHOOL DEPT CUSTODIANS				1,485.60			
51480 SCHOOL DEPT MISCELLANEOUS				20,682.50			
54120 BLDG/CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS				998.00			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES				3,778.22			
Total 5060 SUMMER SCHOOL TUITION	-29,988.95	6,401.82	52,305.00	58,706.82	-23,587.13		-23,587.13
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5100 ATHLETIC REVOLVING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		5,094.88					
42001 FEES	-17,751.77		88,845.50				
52090 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION				24,862.20			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				27,859.99			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES				41,218.19			
Total 5100 ATHLETIC REVOLVING	-17,751.77	5,094.88	88,845.50	93,940.38	-12,656.89		-12,656.89
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5110 TEACHER INCENTIVE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		35,100.09					
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	-67,391.68		1,874.91				
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				36,975.00			
Total 5110 TEACHER INCENTIVE	-67,391.68	35,100.09	1,874.91	36,975.00	-32,291.59		-32,291.59
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5120 SCHOOL RENTAL MAINTENANCE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		20,384.70					
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	-46,635.71		37,900.79				
Total 5120 SCHOOL RENTAL MAINTENANCE	-46,635.71	20,384.70	37,900.79		-26,251.01		-26,251.01

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52240 EQUIP MAINT COSTS/CONTRACTS				85.00			
54030 BUILDING MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES				7,500.00			
Total 5120 SCHOOL RENTAL MAINTENANCE	-46,635.71	20,384.70	37,900.79	58,285.49	-26,251.01		-26,251.01
5160 KINDERGARTEN TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-51,205.20			-181,346.47		-181,346.47
42405 TUITION - FULL TIME	-130,141.27		118,723.32	66,948.12			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				570.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 5160 KINDERGARTEN TUITION	-130,141.27	-51,205.20	118,723.32	67,518.12	-181,346.47		-181,346.47
5170 L.S.D.O. TUITIONS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-7,338.67			-22,717.55		-22,717.55
42412 TUITION - L.S.D.O.	-15,378.88		22,700.00				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			133.72				
51230 SCHOOL DEPT OFFICE PERSONNEL				475.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				1,694.55			
51480 SCHOOL DEPT MISCELLANEOUS				360.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				10,800.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				125.00			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES				2,040.50			
Total 5170 L.S.D.O. TUITIONS	-15,378.88	-7,338.67	22,833.72	15,495.05	-22,717.55		-22,717.55
5180 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE					-543.85		-543.85
Total 5180 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS					-543.85		-543.85
*** Grand Total ***	-320,941.14	8,948.96	359,603.57	368,552.53	-311,992.18		-311,992.18

***** Selection Legend *****

Account Type: FER

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Fund: 5010 to 5200

Account Sub Type: CP

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6010 RESTITUTION RECOVERY							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,517.43	-90.00	90.00		-6,607.43		-6,607.43
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 6010 RESTITUTION RECOVERY	-6,517.43	-90.00	90.00		-6,607.43		-6,607.43
6020 INSURANCE RECOVERY <\$20,000.00							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-37,427.02	9,647.82	52,886.09	959.84	-27,779.20		-27,779.20
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				39,796.95			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				21,777.12			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6020 INSURANCE RECOVERY <\$20,000.00	-37,427.02	9,647.82	52,886.09	62,533.91	-27,779.20		-27,779.20
6030 SALE OF LAND OF LOW VALUE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,571.83				-4,571.83		-4,571.83
Total 6030 SALE OF LAND OF LOW VALUE	-4,571.83				-4,571.83		-4,571.83
6040 SALE OF REAL ESTATE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-100,100.00	-81,500.60	181,500.60		-181,600.60		-181,600.60
48003 SALE OF LAND				100,000.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6040 SALE OF REAL ESTATE	-100,100.00	-81,500.60	181,500.60	100,000.00	-181,600.60		-181,600.60
6050 SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-9,865.00	-6,600.00	6,600.00		-16,465.00		-16,465.00
42001 FEES							
Total 6050 SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	-9,865.00	-6,600.00	6,600.00		-16,465.00		-16,465.00
6070 ARCAD SWIM PROG-CH 53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,888.00	1,827.50	760.00	2,587.50	-1,060.50		-1,060.50
42001 FEES							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
Total 6070 ARCAD SWIM PROG-CH 53 E 1/2	-2,888.00	1,827.50	760.00	2,587.50	-1,060.50		-1,060.50
6080 WETLANDS PROTECTION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-57,052.45	-7,361.00	10,520.00		-64,413.45		-64,413.45
42001 FEES				3,159.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6080 WETLANDS PROTECTION	-57,052.45	-7,361.00	10,520.00	3,159.00	-64,413.45		-64,413.45

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48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			2,100.00	1,282.26			
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				110.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6090 FIRE PREVENTION GIFT ACCOUNT	-2,269.23	-707.74	2,100.00	1,392.26	-2,976.97		-2,976.97
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6100 FIRE-RESCUE GIFT ACCOUNT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,272.24	-100.00			-2,372.24		-2,372.24
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			100.00				
Total 6100 FIRE-RESCUE GIFT ACCOUNT	-2,272.24	-100.00	100.00		-2,372.24		-2,372.24
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6110 TOWN RENTAL PROPERTY							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-31,304.52	2,833.59			-28,470.93		-28,470.93
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			1,089.60				
48421 RENTAL - 23 PEARL ST KAR KARE			3,800.00				
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				7,723.19			
Total 6110 TOWN RENTAL PROPERTY	-31,304.52	2,833.59	4,889.60	7,723.19	-28,470.93		-28,470.93
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6120 SILVER LAKE ADM FEE-CH 53 E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-.08				-.08		-.08
Total 6120 SILVER LAKE ADM FEE-CH 53 E1/2	-.08				-.08		-.08
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6130 COMPOST BINS-CHAP 53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-655.00	-60.00			-715.00		-715.00
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			60.00				
Total 6130 COMPOST BINS-CHAP 53 E 1/2	-655.00	-60.00	60.00		-715.00		-715.00
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6140 POLICE MOTOR CYCLE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-200.00				-200.00		-200.00
Total 6140 POLICE MOTOR CYCLE GIFT FUND	-200.00				-200.00		-200.00
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6150 DPW GRAVE OPENINGS CH 53E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-1,386.55	2,450.00		-1,386.55		-1,386.55
42001 FEES				825.01			
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				238.44			
51500 OVERTIME WAGES							
Total 6150 DPW GRAVE OPENINGS CH 53E 1/2		-1,386.55	2,450.00	1,063.45	-1,386.55		-1,386.55
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6180 COA GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,192.29	-2,508.89			-7,701.18		-7,701.18
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			2,616.00				
54086 COA SR CENTER SHED EXPENSE							
54087 COA AUTOMATIC DOOR OPENER							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				107.11			

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Total 6180 COA GIFT FUND	5,192.29	-2,508.89	2,616.00	107.11	-7,701.18		-7,701.18
6200 POLICE-DARE GIFT ACCOUNT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-10,592.66	-447.21	3,955.42		-11,039.87		-11,039.87
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			650.00				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				4,158.21			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6200 POLICE-DARE GIFT ACCOUNT	-10,592.66	-447.21	4,605.42	4,158.21	-11,039.87		-11,039.87
6210 BOH FOOD INSPECTIONS CH 53E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-28,473.75	37,040.00		-28,473.75		-28,473.75
42001 FEES				8,566.25			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6210 BOH FOOD INSPECTIONS CH 53E1/2		-28,473.75	37,040.00	8,566.25	-28,473.75		-28,473.75
6220 100TH ANNIVERSARY BOOK GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-294.60				-294.60		-294.60
Total 6220 100TH ANNIVERSARY BOOK GIFT	-294.60				-294.60		-294.60
6230 PARKS/MACY RECREATION GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-500.00		20,194.00		-500.00		-500.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				20,194.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6230 PARKS/MACY RECREATION GIFT	-500.00		20,194.00	20,194.00	-500.00		-500.00
6240 BELL PLAYGROUND ASSOC GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-17,993.67			-17,993.67		-17,993.67
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			29,550.27	11,556.60			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6240 BELL PLAYGROUND ASSOC GIFTS		-17,993.67	29,550.27	11,556.60	-17,993.67		-17,993.67
6250 POLICE K-9 & FIRING RANGE GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-8,522.05	-7,395.82	7,150.00		-15,917.87		-15,917.87
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			300.80				
48318 POLICE FIRING RANGE GIFTS				54.98			
54116 POLICE FIRING RANGE EXPENSES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6250 POLICE K-9 & FIRING RANGE GIFT	-8,522.05	-7,395.82	7,450.80	54.98	-15,917.87		-15,917.87
6270 WATER/SEWER GIFT ACCOUNT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-58,079.11	53,402.01			-4,677.10		-4,677.10

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52045 STENSON ST/DNN WATER/SEWER EXP				42,152.01			
52046 PULASKI SEWER EXT GIFT EXPENSE				12,950.00			
Total 6270 WATER/SEWER GIFT ACCOUNT	-58,079.11	53,402.01	1,700.00	55,102.01	-4,677.10		-4,677.10
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6280 UPPER TOWN HALL GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-375.89	375.89	153,206.12	153,206.12			
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				375.89			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6280 UPPER TOWN HALL GIFT	-375.89	375.89	153,206.12	153,582.01			
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6290 HAZARDOUS WASTE GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-300.00				-300.00		-300.00
Total 6290 HAZARDOUS WASTE GIFT	-300.00				-300.00		-300.00
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6310 HISTORICAL COMM GIFT CH53 E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,296.14	802.61	1,488.00	2,330.61	-2,493.53		-2,493.53
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6310 HISTORICAL COMM GIFT CH53 E1/2	-3,296.14	802.61	1,488.00	2,330.61	-2,493.53		-2,493.53
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6320 LIBRARY-FINE REVOLVING CH53E							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,366.86	-2,403.06	12,574.26	10,171.20	-6,769.92		-6,769.92
42001 FEES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6320 LIBRARY-FINE REVOLVING CH53E	-4,366.86	-2,403.06	12,574.26	10,171.20	-6,769.92		-6,769.92
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6330 PARKS-SUMMER PROG CH 53E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-116.89				-116.89		-116.89
Total 6330 PARKS-SUMMER PROG CH 53E1/2	-116.89				-116.89		-116.89
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6340 COA-SOCIAL DAYCARE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-9,964.23	-5,470.10	55,569.19	33,714.78	-15,434.33		-15,434.33
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				16,361.61			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				22.70			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54090 OFFICE SUPPLIES							
Total 6340 COA-SOCIAL DAYCARE	-9,964.23	-5,470.10	55,569.19	50,099.09	-15,434.33		-15,434.33
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6350 COA, HALL RENTAL/FUEL ASSISTNC							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-963.04	662.70	184.00	846.70	-300.34		-300.34
48319 COA FUEL ASSISTANCE GIFTS							
52319 COA FUEL ASSISTANCE							

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Total 6350 COA, HALL RENTAL/FUEL ASSISTNC	-963.04	662.70	184.00	846.70	-300.34		-300.34
6360 NORMA ROGERS MEMORIAL GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-38.07				-38.07		-38.07
Total 6360 NORMA ROGERS MEMORIAL GIFT	-38.07				-38.07		-38.07
6370 LIBRARY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-129.54				-129.54		-129.54
Total 6370 LIBRARY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND	-129.54				-129.54		-129.54
6380 CEMETERY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-584.44	-26.52	26.52		-610.96		-610.96
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 6380 CEMETERY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND	-584.44	-26.52	26.52		-610.96		-610.96
6390 AMBULANCE-RECEIPTS RESERVED							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-484,083.52	147,948.88	252,051.12		-336,134.64		-336,134.64
42250 AMBULANCE RECEIPTS				400,000.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6390 AMBULANCE-RECEIPTS RESERVED	-484,083.52	147,948.88	252,051.12	400,000.00	-336,134.64		-336,134.64
6400 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4.30				-4.30		-4.30
Total 6400 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST	-4.30				-4.30		-4.30
6410 POLICE DEPT GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,153.12	-491.30	2,005.00		-1,644.42		-1,644.42
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				1,513.70			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6410 POLICE DEPT GIFT FUND	-1,153.12	-491.30	2,005.00	1,513.70	-1,644.42		-1,644.42
6440 BIKE PATROL GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-225.03				-225.03		-225.03
Total 6440 BIKE PATROL GIFTS	-225.03				-225.03		-225.03
6450 TOWN COMMON GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-10,356.41	1,200.00			-9,156.41		-9,156.41
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				1,200.00			
Total 6450 TOWN COMMON GIFTS	-10,356.41	1,200.00		1,200.00	-9,156.41		-9,156.41

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6480 PLANNING BOARD REVOLVING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-23,386.16	1,106.67	5,635.54		-22,279.49		-22,279.49
42161 PLANNING BD ADVERTISING FEES			4,800.00				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				5,656.78			
52011 PLAN BD APPLIC ADVERTISING EXP				5,885.43			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6480 PLANNING BOARD REVOLVING	-23,386.16	1,106.67	10,435.54	11,542.21	-22,279.49		-22,279.49
6510 TOWN COMMON MAINT CH53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-9,459.69	-9,351.53			-18,811.22		-18,811.22
42001 FEES			20,466.65				
42006 USER FEE-TOWN COM (REFUNDABLE)			50.00				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			235.39				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			305.00				
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				3,111.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				8,594.51			
Total 6510 TOWN COMMON MAINT CH53 E 1/2	-9,459.69	-9,351.53	21,057.04	11,705.51	-18,811.22		-18,811.22
6520 ELDERLY RECREATION GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-10,144.84	-6,012.18			-16,157.02		-16,157.02
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			51,590.00				
48314 NEW SENIOR CENTER GIFTS			3,647.00				
48315 COA TRIP RECEIPTS			35,296.00				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				84,287.65			
54604 NEW SENIOR CTR GIFT EXPENSES				216.17			
54605 COA TRIP EXPENSES				17.00			
Total 6520 ELDERLY RECREATION GIFT FUND	-10,144.84	-6,012.18	90,533.00	84,520.82	-16,157.02		-16,157.02
6540 NEXTEL GIFT FUND CH53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-27,636.76	-7,656.58			-35,293.34		-35,293.34
48007 MISC REIMBURSEMENTS			1,563.75				
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			40,586.14				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				21,093.31			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND				13,400.00			
Total 6540 NEXTEL GIFT FUND CH53 E 1/2	-27,636.76	-7,656.58	42,149.89	34,493.31	-35,293.34		-35,293.34
6550 4TH OF JULY GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-16,086.32	6,784.64	21,031.00		-9,301.68		-9,301.68
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				26,456.32			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				1,359.32			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6550 4TH OF JULY GIFT FUND	-16,086.32	6,784.64	21,031.00	27,815.64	-9,301.68		-9,301.68

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6560 NEW H.S. FENCE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		21.99		21.99	21.99		21.99
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				21.99			
Total 6560 NEW H.S. FENCE GIFT FUND		21.99		21.99	21.99		21.99
6570 VETERANS MEMORIAL GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	4.00	48.24			52.24		52.24
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				48.24			
Total 6570 VETERANS MEMORIAL GIFT FUND	4.00	48.24		48.24	52.24		52.24
6580 TOWN ENGINEERING SERVICES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-423,517.14	234,029.93	500.00		-189,487.21		-189,487.21
48454 WALGREENS-ENGINEERING REVIEW			5,000.00				
48466 CONSV-LAKEVIEW EST DRAIN REVW			1,750.00				
48470 BELLINGHAM COMMONS II - TRAFF			450.00				
48488 D & N ESTATES ENGINEERING							
48498 MAPLE ST BUSINESS CTR-TRAF REV			3,967.00				
48506 EMC TRAFFIC REVIEW			3,000.00				
48507 EMC ENGINEERING REVIEW			11,100.00				
48508 CUMBERLAND FARMS TRAFFIC REVW			750.00				
48511 GODDARD SCHOOL FIRE PROTECTION			4,300.00				
48512 WOODBURY RIDGE ENGINEERING			4,850.00				
48513 ASSUMPTION PARISH OVERLAY			3,600.00				
48514 BLACKSTONE STR ENGINEERING			26,000.00				
48515 W S (SHOP@BELL) TRAFFIC REVIEW			2,400.00				
48516 F W WEBB ENGINEERING REVIEW			41,000.00				
48517 S MAPLE/MECHANIC TRAF MITGATN			4,000.00				
48518 F W WEBB FIRE PROTECTION SVCS			500.00				
48519 NASH-HARTFORD AVE TRAFFIC REVW			23,096.40				
48521 W S (SHOP@BELL) ENGINEERING RV			3,400.00				
48522 CRYSTAL SPRING-PH3 ENGINEERING			3,000.00				
48523 MARTYS AUTO ENGINEERING			1,500.00				
48524 MARIBAR LLC FIRE PROTECTION							
52452 R K PLAZA ENGINEERING REVIEW				500.00			
52454 WALGREENS-ENGINEERING REVIEW				2,250.00			
52455 VAN LUMBER FIRE PROTECTION REV							
52456 WILLIAM WAY SERVICES							
52457 REGAL CINEMA FIRE ALARM REVIEW							
52458 J P I FIRE PROTECTION INSP							
52459 LORUSSO FIRE PROTECTION INSP							
52460 RK PLAZA TRAF SIG CONSTR INSP							
52462 COLONIAL ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52463 D.D. DISCRETIONARY MITIGATION							
52464 SHORES @ SILVER LAKE III ENGR							
52465 CONROY DEV (MECH ST) ENGR EXP							

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
52468 PIERCE ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52469 J P I ENGINEERING							
52470 BELLINGHAM COMMONS II - TRAFF							
52471 LORUSSO TRAFFIC REVIEW EXPENSE				15,970.93			
52473 CVS @ CROOKS CORNER TRAF STUDY							
52474 BEVILACQUA PAVING ENGR REVIEW							
52475 MAPLE ST INDUSTRIAL PARK							
52476 DUNKIN DONUTS DISTR CTR TRAFF							
52477 DUNKIN DONUTS DISTR CTR ENGIN							
52478 DUNKIN DONUTS DISTR CTR FIRE							
52479 VOLTA OIL TRAFFIC REVIEW							
52481 VOLTA OIL FUTURE TRAF IMPROVEM				2,700.00			
52482 GODDARD SCHOOL ENGINEERING							
52483 J P I TRAFFIC MITIGATION EXPEN							
52485 PINE ACRES ENGINEERING REVIEW							
52486 TOLL BROS TRAFFIC SIGNAL MITIG							
52487 ISAAC CUMMINGS PEER REVIEW				4,050.00			
52488 D & N ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52489 HUNTER DEV ENGINEERING REVIEW							
52490 DUNKIN DONUTS DEPOT ST PAVING							
52491 DUNKIN DONUTS NEIGH MITIGATION							
52492 LORUSSO TRAFFIC MITIGATION							
52493 CONROY DEV FIRE PROTECT INSP							
52494 GRAY WOLF ENG PEER REVIEW EXP							
52495 THUNDERMIST TRAF PEER REVIEW							
52496 VAN LUMBER TRAFFIC PEER REVIEW							
52497 VAN LUMBER ENGINEERING PEER RV							
52498 MAPLE ST BUSINESS CTR-TRAF REV							
52499 MAPLE ST BUSINESS CTR-ENGR REV							
52501 ETHAN ALLEN DISTR CTR FIRE PRO							
52504 WALGREENS-FIRE PROTECTION				1,900.00			
52506 EMC TRAFFIC REVIEW				500.00			
52507 EMC ENGINEERING REVIEW				3,967.00			
52508 CUMBERLAND FARMS TRAFFIC REVW				10,000.00			
52509 CUMBERLAND FARMS ENGINEERING				7,100.00			
52511 GODDARD SCHOOL FIRE PROTECTION				4,000.00			
52512 WOODBURY RIDGE ENGINEERING				600.00			
52513 ASSUMPTION PARISH OVERLAY				4,300.00			
52514 BLACKSTONE STR ENGINEERING				4,850.00			
52515 W S (SHOP@BELL) TRAFFIC REVIEW				2,700.00			
52516 F W WEBB ENGINEERING REVIEW				6,794.50			
52517 S MAPLE/MECHANIC TRAF MITIGATN				2,400.00			
52518 F W WEBB FIRE PROTECTION SVCS				4,000.00			
52519 NASH-HARTFORD AVE TRAFFIC REVW				500.00			
52521 W S (SHOP@BELL) ENGINEERING RV				296.40			
52522 CRYSTAL SPRING-PH3 ENGINEERING				2,380.00			
52523 MARTYS AUTO ENGINEERING				2,887.50			
52524 MARIBAR LLC FIRE PROTECTION				1,200.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND				244,500.00			

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 6580 TOWN ENGINEERING SERVICES	-423,517.14	234,029.93	144,163.40	378,193.33	-189,487.21		-189,487.21
6600 DPW SEWER EXTENTION INSPECTION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,376.66	56.25		56.25	-4,320.41		-4,320.41
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6600 DPW SEWER EXTENTION INSPECTION	-4,376.66	56.25		56.25	-4,320.41		-4,320.41
6610 MOBIL EDUC ALLIANCE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-15.33	15.33		15.33			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 6610 MOBIL EDUC ALLIANCE	-15.33	15.33		15.33			
6620 CROOKS CORNER COMMON GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,040.00	40.00			-1,000.00		-1,000.00
Total 6620 CROOKS CORNER COMMON GIFT FUND	-1,040.00	40.00			-1,000.00		-1,000.00
6630 USSL FUND (SCHOOL)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,575.15	3,575.15		3,575.15			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6630 USSL FUND (SCHOOL)	-3,575.15	3,575.15		3,575.15			
6640 ANP-WATER/WASTE WATER GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,997.78				-12,997.78		-12,997.78
Total 6640 ANP-WATER/WASTE WATER GIFT	-12,997.78				-12,997.78		-12,997.78
6650 Receipts Reserved-Title V Bett							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-253,609.52	-10,638.65	24,851.49		-264,248.17		-264,248.17
42073 Title V Betterment			6,346.16				
42093 Title V Betterment Paid In Adv				20,559.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6650 Receipts Reserved-Title V Bett	-253,609.52	-10,638.65	31,197.65	20,559.00	-264,248.17		-264,248.17
6660 DPW RESIDENT WATER METERS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-724.00				-724.00		-724.00
Total 6660 DPW RESIDENT WATER METERS	-724.00				-724.00		-724.00
6680 ANP-CRWA MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-21,777.22	17,741.05		17,741.05	-4,036.17		-4,036.17
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							

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6690 ARCAND SWIM PROGRAM GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-500.00				-500.00		-500.00
Total 6690 ARCAND SWIM PROGRAM GIFT FUND	-500.00				-500.00		-500.00
6700 LIBRARY GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-7,145.07	3,303.65	9,022.48	12,326.13	-3,841.42		-3,841.42
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6700 LIBRARY GIFT FUND	-7,145.07	3,303.65	9,022.48	12,326.13	-3,841.42		-3,841.42
6710 CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-343,427.77	-20,107.20	20,107.20		-363,534.97		-363,534.97
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 6710 CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND	-343,427.77	-20,107.20	20,107.20		-363,534.97		-363,534.97
6720 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-100.00				-100.00		-100.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
Total 6720 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY GIFTS	-100.00				-100.00		-100.00
6730 COMM ON DISABILITY CH53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-187.38	-608.21	1,080.00		-795.59		-795.59
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				471.79			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6730 COMM ON DISABILITY CH53 E 1/2	-187.38	-608.21	1,080.00	471.79	-795.59		-795.59
6740 ZBA SPECIAL PERMIT FEES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-275.30	515.05	1,750.00		239.75		239.75
42001 FEES				786.60			
52010 ADVERTISING				1,469.55			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				8.90			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6740 ZBA SPECIAL PERMIT FEES	-275.30	515.05	1,750.00	2,265.05	239.75		239.75
6750 MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-726.23	726.23		726.23			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 6750 MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY GIFTS	-726.23	726.23		726.23			
6760 SKATE PARK GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-115.00	-25.00	25.00		-140.00		-140.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							

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Total 6760 SKATE PARK GIFT FUND	-115.00	-25.00	25.00		-140.00		-140.00
6770 CEMETERY MAINTENANCE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,300.00				-1,300.00		-1,300.00
Total 6770 CEMETERY MAINTENANCE GIFT FUND	-1,300.00				-1,300.00		-1,300.00
6780 ISABELLA'S GROCERIA GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-57.07	57.07		57.07			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 6780 ISABELLA'S GROCERIA GIFT FUND	-57.07	57.07		57.07			
6790 BELLINGHAM CPC ENHANCEMENT FD							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,953.29	-1,046.00	1,211.00		-3,999.29		-3,999.29
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				165.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6790 BELLINGHAM CPC ENHANCEMENT FD	-2,953.29	-1,046.00	1,211.00	165.00	-3,999.29		-3,999.29
6800 WATER INSPECTION FEES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,616.25	-1,621.25	1,700.00		-4,237.50		-4,237.50
42001 FEES				78.75			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6800 WATER INSPECTION FEES	-2,616.25	-1,621.25	1,700.00	78.75	-4,237.50		-4,237.50
6810 BELL SCH FUND FOR EXCELLENCE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,133.00	-8,348.00	8,348.00		-10,481.00		-10,481.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
Total 6810 BELL SCH FUND FOR EXCELLENCE	-2,133.00	-8,348.00	8,348.00		-10,481.00		-10,481.00
*** Grand Total ***	-2,024,139.92	258,291.44	1,246,028.19	1,504,319.63	-1,765,848.48		-1,765,848.48

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: FER

FY: 2007 to 2007

Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2006 to 30-Jun-2007

Fund: 6010 to 6810

Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
7010 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-944,374.48	-377,125.02			-1,321,499.50		-1,321,499.50
42275 EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTION TO INS			1,036,917.39				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			31,741.25				
48005 GROUP INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT			535,306.60				
48014 MEDICARE DRUG SUBSIDY			74,664.15				
48015 RETIREES CONTRIBUTION			629,832.63				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			4,275,000.00				
49705 TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND			63,000.00				
57040 MEDICAL CLAIMS/INSURANCE SERV				6,269,337.00			
Total 7010 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST	-944,374.48	-377,125.02	6,646,462.02	6,269,337.00	-1,321,499.50		-1,321,499.50
7020 STABILIZATION TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,956,247.91	446,777.69			-1,509,470.22		-1,509,470.22
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			54,050.61				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			499,171.70				
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND				1,000,000.00			
Total 7020 STABILIZATION TRUST FUND	-1,956,247.91	446,777.69	553,222.31	1,000,000.00	-1,509,470.22		-1,509,470.22
7030 UNEMPLOYMENT INS TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-92,465.64	-3,542.45			-96,008.09		-96,008.09
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			6,257.97				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			75,000.00				
57040 MEDICAL CLAIMS/INSURANCE SERV				77,715.52			
Total 7030 UNEMPLOYMENT INS TRUST FUND	-92,465.64	-3,542.45	81,257.97	77,715.52	-96,008.09		-96,008.09
7040 WORKERS COMPENSATION TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-191,755.17	-975.19			-192,730.36		-192,730.36
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			8,453.50				
49705 TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND			16,100.00				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				23,578.31			
Total 7040 WORKERS COMPENSATION TRUST	-191,755.17	-975.19	24,553.50	23,578.31	-192,730.36		-192,730.36
7050 MUNICIPAL BLDGS INS TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-204,134.78	-3,763.35			-207,898.13		-207,898.13
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			10,920.59				
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				7,157.24			
Total 7050 MUNICIPAL BLDGS INS TRUST FUND	-204,134.78	-3,763.35	10,920.59	7,157.24	-207,898.13		-207,898.13
7060 ANP-SCHOLARSHIP FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-504,266.16	-10,220.20			-514,486.36		-514,486.36
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			10,046.52				
45002 MERRILL LYNCH MONEY MKT INT			13,154.90				
45003 MERRILL LYNCH GAIN/LOSS-BONDS			6,018.78				

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51810 SCHOLARSHIP INCENTIVE				19,000.00			
Total 7060 ANP-SCHOLARSHIP FUND	-504,266.16	-10,220.20	29,220.20	19,000.00	-514,486.36		-514,486.36
7070 TAX STABILIZATION FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,018,303.62	-310,968.48	16,587.71		-1,329,272.10		-1,329,272.10
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			34,416.10				
45002 MERRILL LYNCH MONEY MKT INT			9,964.67				
45003 MERRILL LYNCH GAIN/LOSS-BONDS			250,000.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND							
Total 7070 TAX STABILIZATION FUND	-1,018,303.62	-310,968.48	310,968.48		-1,329,272.10		-1,329,272.10
7080 COMPENSATED ABSENCE FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-112,772.34	34,392.70	3,652.85	38,045.55	-78,379.64		-78,379.64
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
51110 DEPARTMENT HEAD SALARY							
Total 7080 COMPENSATED ABSENCE FUND	-112,772.34	34,392.70	3,652.85	38,045.55	-78,379.64		-78,379.64
7520 CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-8,904.27	-1,309.21	1,309.21		-10,213.48		-10,213.48
42001 FEES							
Total 7520 CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE TRUST	-8,904.27	-1,309.21	1,309.21		-10,213.48		-10,213.48
7530 WHITNEY LIBRARY TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-222.78	-10.10	10.10		-232.88		-232.88
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7530 WHITNEY LIBRARY TRUST	-222.78	-10.10	10.10		-232.88		-232.88
7540 MAPLE DRAKE LIBRARY TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-414.33	-18.78	18.78		-433.11		-433.11
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7540 MAPLE DRAKE LIBRARY TRUST	-414.33	-18.78	18.78		-433.11		-433.11
7550 CONSERVATION TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-125,379.97	-20,817.56	5,817.56		-146,197.53		-146,197.53
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			15,000.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND							
Total 7550 CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	-125,379.97	-20,817.56	20,817.56		-146,197.53		-146,197.53
7560 RETIREMENT RESERVE TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-259,458.53	-62,903.70			-322,362.23		-322,362.23
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			12,053.70				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			50,850.00				

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Total 7560 RETIREMENT RESERVE TRUST FUND	-259,458.53	-62,903.70	62,903.70		-322,362.23		-322,362.23
7570 E WHITNEY CEMETERY TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-395.30	-13.42	13.42		-408.72		-408.72
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7570 E WHITNEY CEMETERY TRUST FUND	-395.30	-13.42	13.42		-408.72		-408.72
7580 ETTA METCALF CEMETERY TRUST FD							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-796.99	-27.06	27.06		-824.05		-824.05
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7580 ETTA METCALF CEMETERY TRUST FD	-796.99	-27.06	27.06		-824.05		-824.05
7590 CONSERVATION STORM WATER MGMT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-40,700.00	-9,500.00	2,000.00		-50,200.00		-50,200.00
45034 HIDDEN PINES STWTR BD INTERES			7,500.00				
48448 CORSI ST STORMWATER BOND							
54525 CENTER RUN ESTATES							
54526 HERITAGE PINES							
54527 MAPLE SANDS							
54528 BAINBRIDGE ROAD							
54529 TOWN COMMON ESTATES							
54530 SPRING MEADOW ESTATES							
54531 WOODSIDE RD / EDGEHILL LN							
54532 EDWARDS ESTATES							
54533 COUNTRY CLUB II ESTATES							
54534 HIDDEN PINES (ROLLING HILL DR)							
Total 7590 CONSERVATION STORM WATER MGMT	-40,700.00	-9,500.00	9,500.00		-50,200.00		-50,200.00
7600 CONSV STORM WTR EXPEND INT TR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,848.02	-1,157.70	532.24		-5,005.72		-5,005.72
45025 CENTER RUN INTEREST			124.87				
45026 HERITAGE PINES INTEREST			205.91				
45027 MAPLE SANDS INTEREST			97.76				
45028 BAINBRIDGE ROAD INTEREST			123.35				
45029 TOWN COMMON ESTATES INTEREST			122.05				
45030 SPRING MEADOW ESTATES INTEREST			179.47				
45031 WOODSIDE/EDGEHILL LN INTEREST			350.92				
45032 EDWARDS ESTATES INTEREST			232.23				
45033 COUNTRY CLUB II ESTS INTEREST			100.04				
45034 HIDDEN PINES STWTR BD INTERES			14.50				
45035 CORSI ST STWTR BD INTEREST							
54525 CENTER RUN ESTATES							
54526 HERITAGE PINES							
54527 MAPLE SANDS							
54528 BAINBRIDGE ROAD							
54529 TOWN COMMON ESTATES							

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54530 SPRING MEADOW ESTATES				98.07			
54531 WOODSIDE RD / EDGEHILL LN				144.21			
54532 EDWARDS ESTATES				233.50			
54533 COUNTRY CLUB II ESTATES				154.52			
54534 HIDDEN PINES (ROLLING HILL DR)							
54535 CORSI ST STRMTR BD EXPENSE							
Total 7600 CONSV STORM WTR EXPEND INT TR	-3,848.02	-1,157.70	2,083.34	1,378.53	-5,005.72		-5,005.72
7610 PROCTOR P COOKE TR (ANIMAL CN)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-20,237.66	-917.68	917.68		-21,155.34		-21,155.34
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7610 PROCTOR P COOKE TR (ANIMAL CN)	-20,237.66	-917.68	917.68		-21,155.34		-21,155.34
7620 WALTER/MARIE COOKE SCHOLARSHIP							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,000.00	-1,389.07	1,589.07	200.00	-26,389.07		-26,389.07
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 7620 WALTER/MARIE COOKE SCHOLARSHIP	-25,000.00	-1,389.07	1,589.07	200.00	-26,389.07		-26,389.07
*** Grand Total ***	-5,509,677.95	-323,488.58	7,759,447.84	7,436,412.15	-5,833,166.53		-5,833,166.53

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Account Type: FER

FY: 2007 to 2007

Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2006 to 30-Jun-2007

Fund: 7010 to 7620

Account Sub Type: CP

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8010 POLICE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	36,919.68	-44,337.84	554,205.49		-7,418.16		-7,418.16
42150 POLICE-OUTSIDE DETAIL FEE				509,867.65			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8010 POLICE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL	36,919.68	-44,337.84	554,205.49	509,867.65	-7,418.16		-7,418.16
8020 CUSTODIA, EXTRA WORK DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,049.49	-957.43	39,926.94		-3,006.92		-3,006.92
42001 FEES				38,969.51			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8020 CUSTODIA, EXTRA WORK DETAIL	-2,049.49	-957.43	39,926.94	38,969.51	-3,006.92		-3,006.92
8030 FIRE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-957.20	4.29	1,535.47		-952.91		-952.91
42001 FEES				1,539.76			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8030 FIRE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL	-957.20	4.29	1,535.47	1,539.76	-952.91		-952.91
8040 STATE LICENSES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,195.60	-212.80	2,476.05		-3,408.40		-3,408.40
42001 FEES			14,250.00				
42750 STATE FIREARMS LICENSES				13,787.50			
52750 STATE FIREARMS LICENSE FEES				2,725.75			
55001 AGENCY FEES REMITTED							
Total 8040 STATE LICENSES	-3,195.60	-212.80	16,726.05	16,513.25	-3,408.40		-3,408.40
8060 LIBRARY, CUSTODIAL DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-84.40	-1.32	105.00		-85.72		-85.72
42001 FEES				103.68			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8060 LIBRARY, CUSTODIAL DETAIL	-84.40	-1.32	105.00	103.68	-85.72		-85.72
8080 BEECHWOOD RD & VARIOUS PROJECT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-757.09		15,000.00		-757.09		-757.09
48324 LOCUST ST PAVING (TRG FAM LLC)				15,000.00			
58324 LOCUST ST PAVING (TRG FAM LLC)							
Total 8080 BEECHWOOD RD & VARIOUS PROJECT	-757.09		15,000.00	15,000.00	-757.09		-757.09
8090 BHS STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-66,858.23	-1,863.76	375.36		-68,721.99		-68,721.99
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			225,809.07				
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				224,320.67			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS							

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Special Revenue Fund Report

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 8090 BHS STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND	-66,858.23	-1,863.76	226,184.43	224,320.67	-68,721.99		-68,721.99
8100 BOND TAKINGS/COMPLIANCE CERTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,461.32				-5,461.32		-5,461.32
52012 NORTHEAST ACRES BOND RELEASE							
52016 FUNARI ROAD PAVING REPAIRS							
52017 STOP & SHOP CONSERV COMPL CERT							
Total 8100 BOND TAKINGS/COMPLIANCE CERTS	-5,461.32				-5,461.32		-5,461.32
8120 STREET OPEN-SECURITY DEPOSITS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-29,870.30	-90.00	90.00		-29,960.30		-29,960.30
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 8120 STREET OPEN-SECURITY DEPOSITS	-29,870.30	-90.00	90.00		-29,960.30		-29,960.30
8130 ANP DECOMMISSIONING FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-295,212.43	-49,135.01	14,135.01		-344,347.44		-344,347.44
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			35,000.00				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 8130 ANP DECOMMISSIONING FUND	-295,212.43	-49,135.01	49,135.01		-344,347.44		-344,347.44
8140 ABANDONED PROPERTY							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				924.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				924.00			
Total 8140 ABANDONED PROPERTY				1,848.00			
*** Grand Total ***	-367,526.38	-96,593.87	902,908.39	807,238.52	-464,120.25		-464,120.25

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: FER

FY: 2007 to 2007

Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2006 to 30-Jun-2007

Fund: 8010 to 8140

Account Sub Type: CP

YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURE REPORT

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007					
Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance
					% Used
0100 TRASH-OPERATING FUND					
430 Solid Waste Collection/Disposal					
0100-430-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	23,978.00	.00	.00	23,183.61	794.39
0100-430-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,230,800.00	.00	.00	1,173,617.60	57,182.40
Total 430 Solid Waste Collection/Disposal	1,254,778.00	.00	.00	1,196,801.21	57,976.79
Total 0100 TRASH-OPERATING FUND	1,254,778.00	.00	.00	1,196,801.21	57,976.79
0200 WATER-OPERATING					
450 WATER- OPERATING					
0200-450-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	586,288.00	(15,000.00)	.00	558,391.88	12,896.12
0200-450-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,079,540.00	15,000.00	.00	1,084,768.71	9,771.29
Total 450 WATER- OPERATING	1,665,828.00	.00	.00	1,643,160.59	22,667.41
907 FISCAL 2003-ARTICLES	.00	41,914.58	.00	8,967.42	32,947.16
Total 907 FISCAL 2003-ARTICLES	.00	41,914.58	.00	8,967.42	32,947.16
909 FISCAL 2005 - ARTICLES	.00	118,590.07	.00	118.07	118,472.00
Total 909 FISCAL 2005 - ARTICLES	.00	118,590.07	.00	118.07	118,472.00
910 FISCAL 2006 - ARTICLES	.00	196,499.50	.00	1,401,751.73	(1,205,252.23)
Total 910 FISCAL 2006 - ARTICLES	.00	196,499.50	.00	1,401,751.73	(1,205,252.23)
911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	270,000.00	30,000.00	.00	259,943.77	40,056.23
Total 911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	270,000.00	30,000.00	.00	259,943.77	40,056.23
950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	358.00	.00	358.00	.00
Total 950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	358.00	.00	358.00	.00
Total 0200 WATER-OPERATING	1,935,828.00	387,362.15	.00	3,314,299.58	(991,109.43)
0300 SEWER-OPERATING FUND					
460 SEWER - OPERATING					

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Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007					
Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance
Total 460 SEWER - OPERATING	640,822.00	40,000.00	.00	572,282.86	108,539.14
911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES					
Total 911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	.00	18,372.22	.00	13,379.72	4,992.50
950 ENCUMBRANCES					
Total 950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	42,200.00	.00	42,200.00	.00
Total 0300 SEWER-OPERATING FUND	640,822.00	100,572.22	.00	627,862.58	113,531.64
1000 General Fund					
114 TOWN MEETING MODERATOR					
1000-114-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00
Total 114 TOWN MEETING MODERATOR	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00
122 SELECTMEN					
1000-122-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	6,000.00	.00	.00	6,000.00	.00
1000-122-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	50,423.00	.00	.00	50,423.00	.00
1000-122-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	36,701.00	.00	.00	32,739.94	3,961.06
Total 122 SELECTMEN	93,124.00	.00	.00	89,162.94	3,961.06
123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR					
1000-123-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES/CLERICAL SUPPO	145,458.00	.00	.00	145,075.66	382.34
1000-123-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	7,700.00	.00	.00	6,935.56	764.44
Total 123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	153,158.00	.00	.00	152,011.22	1,146.78
131 FINANCE COMMITTEE					
1000-131-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	2,780.00	.00	.00	2,780.00	.00
1000-131-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	2,295.00	.00	.00	1,375.46	919.54
Total 131 FINANCE COMMITTEE	5,075.00	.00	.00	4,155.46	919.54
132 RESERVE FUND					
1000-132-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	100,000.00	(85,558.63)	.00	.00	14,441.37
Total 132 RESERVE FUND	100,000.00	(85,558.63)	.00	.00	14,441.37
135 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER					
1000-135-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	198,021.00	.00	.00	192,283.87	5,737.13
1000-135-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	43,600.00	.00	.00	41,953.23	1,646.77
Total 135 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	241,621.00	.00	.00	234,237.10	7,383.90
					96.94

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007					
Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance
					% Used
137 ASSESSORS					
1000-137-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	2,400.00	600.00	.00	3,100.00	(100.00) 103.33
1000-137-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	95,153.00	2,000.00	.00	90,319.67	6,833.33 92.97
1000-137-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	13,825.00	.00	.00	8,781.13	5,043.87 63.52
Total 137 ASSESSORS	111,378.00	2,600.00	.00	102,200.80	11,777.20 89.67
138 TREASURER					
1000-138-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	65,070.00	.00	.00	65,038.53	31.47 99.95
1000-138-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	24,650.00	.00	.00	22,563.73	2,086.27 91.54
Total 138 TREASURER	89,720.00	.00	.00	87,602.26	2,117.74 97.64
139 TOWN COLLECTOR					
1000-139-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	128,610.00	.00	.00	125,956.32	2,653.68 97.94
1000-139-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	64,150.00	.00	.00	62,472.51	1,677.49 97.39
Total 139 TOWN COLLECTOR	192,760.00	.00	.00	188,428.83	4,331.17 97.75
151 TOWN COUNSEL					
1000-151-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	85,000.00	18,458.63	.00	103,458.59	.04 100.00
Total 151 TOWN COUNSEL	85,000.00	18,458.63	.00	103,458.59	.04 100.00
154 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM					
1000-154-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	63,751.00	.00	.00	63,701.00	50.00 99.92
1000-154-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	155,086.00	.00	.00	154,157.37	928.63 99.40
Total 154 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM	218,837.00	.00	.00	217,858.37	978.63 99.55
156 TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE					
1000-156-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	10,000.00	11,500.00	.00	12,094.11	9,405.89 56.25
Total 156 TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	10,000.00	11,500.00	.00	12,094.11	9,405.89 56.25
161 TOWN CLERK					
1000-161-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED SALAR	59,324.00	.00	.00	59,324.00	.00 100.00
1000-161-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	38,663.00	.00	.00	38,466.62	196.38 99.49
1000-161-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	4,615.00	.00	.00	3,316.97	1,298.03 71.87
Total 161 TOWN CLERK	102,602.00	.00	.00	101,107.59	1,494.41 98.54
162 ELECTIONS					
1000-162-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	500.00	.00	.00	184.95	315.05 36.99
Total 162 ELECTIONS	33,536.00	.00	.00	28,451.33	5,084.67 84.84
Total 162 ELECTIONS	34,036.00	.00	.00	28,636.28	5,399.72 84.14

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
1000-163-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	8,100.00	.00	.00	6,152.83	1,947.17	75.96
Total 163 REGISTRATION	9,500.00	.00	.00	7,419.69	2,080.31	78.10
171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION						
1000-171-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	38,000.00	.00	.00	38,000.00	.00	100.00
1000-171-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	9,315.00	.00	.00	9,236.79	78.21	99.16
Total 171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION	47,315.00	.00	.00	47,236.79	78.21	99.83
172 PLANNING BOARD						
1000-172-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED SALARIES	5,000.00	.00	.00	3,416.67	1,583.33	68.33
1000-172-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	51,947.00	.00	.00	50,723.45	1,223.55	97.64
1000-172-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	8,100.00	.00	.00	3,853.14	4,246.86	47.57
Total 172 PLANNING BOARD	65,047.00	.00	.00	57,993.26	7,053.74	89.16
173 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS						
1000-173-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	7,275.00	.00	.00	7,275.00	.00	100.00
1000-173-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	757.00	18,100.00	.00	16,084.22	2,772.78	85.30
Total 173 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	8,032.00	18,100.00	.00	23,359.22	2,772.78	89.39
183 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY						
1000-183-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	1,200.00	.00	.00	1,200.00	.00	100.00
1000-183-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,500.00	.00	.00	943.86	556.14	62.92
Total 183 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY	2,700.00	.00	.00	2,143.86	556.14	79.40
189 PUBLIC BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE						
1000-189-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	85,153.00	1,366.00	.00	84,932.77	1,586.23	98.17
1000-189-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	165,850.00	29,000.00	.00	172,021.48	22,828.52	88.28
Total 189 PUBLIC BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE	251,003.00	30,366.00	.00	256,954.25	24,414.75	91.32
190 OTJ INJURY FOR DEDUCTIBLE						
1000-190-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	35,000.00	140,000.00	.00	175,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 190 OTJ INJURY FOR DEDUCTIBLE	35,000.00	140,000.00	.00	175,000.00	.00	100.00
191 WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT						
1000-191-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	5,000.00	.00	.00	5,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 191 WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT	5,000.00	.00	.00	5,000.00	.00	100.00
193 PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE						
1000-193-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	305,000.00	(18,474.84)	.00	266,108.77	20,416.39	92.87
Total 193 PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	305,000.00	(18,474.84)	.00	266,108.77	20,416.39	92.87

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
194 RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT						
1000-194-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,400,000.00	.00	.00	1,372,350.69	27,649.31	98.03
Total 194 RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT	1,400,000.00	.00	.00	1,372,350.69	27,649.31	98.03
195 MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE						
1000-195-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	300,000.00	.00	.00	281,214.09	18,785.91	93.74
Total 195 MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE	300,000.00	.00	.00	281,214.09	18,785.91	93.74
196 TOWN REPORTS						
1000-196-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	3,000.00	.00	.00	873.00	2,127.00	29.10
Total 196 TOWN REPORTS	3,000.00	.00	.00	873.00	2,127.00	29.10
197 PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH						
1000-197-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	32,000.00	.00	.00	26,258.39	5,741.61	82.06
Total 197 PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	32,000.00	.00	.00	26,258.39	5,741.61	82.06
199 DAMAGES TO PERSONS/PROPERTY						
1000-199-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1.00	.00	.00	.00	1.00	.00
Total 199 DAMAGES TO PERSONS/PROPERTY	1.00	.00	.00	.00	1.00	.00
210 POLICE DEPARTMENT						
1000-210-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	2,377,597.00	.00	.00	2,140,206.83	237,390.17	90.02
1000-210-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	140,400.00	.00	.00	130,179.61	10,220.39	92.72
Total 210 POLICE DEPARTMENT	2,517,997.00	.00	.00	2,270,386.44	247,610.56	90.17
220 FIRE DEPARTMENT						
1000-220-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	1,471,716.00	.00	.00	1,381,937.78	89,778.22	93.90
1000-220-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	82,610.00	11,750.00	.00	94,187.48	172.52	99.82
Total 220 FIRE DEPARTMENT	1,554,326.00	11,750.00	.00	1,476,125.26	89,950.74	94.26
251 TOWN INSPECTOR						
1000-251-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	129,790.00	.00	.00	128,213.74	1,576.26	98.79
1000-251-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	6,420.00	.00	.00	5,016.82	1,403.18	78.14
Total 251 TOWN INSPECTOR	136,210.00	.00	.00	133,230.56	2,979.44	97.81
252 SEALERS OF WEIGHTS/MEASURES						
1000-252-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	3,000.00	.00	.00	3,000.00	.00	100.00
1000-252-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	3,490.00	.00	.00	760.82	2,729.18	21.80
Total 252 SEALERS OF WEIGHTS/MEASURES	6,490.00	.00	.00	3,760.82	2,729.18	57.95

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
253 INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS						
1000-253-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	19,410.00	.00	.00	17,576.00	1,834.00	90.55
1000-253-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	700.00	.00	.00	500.00	200.00	71.43
Total 253 INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS	20,110.00	.00	.00	18,076.00	2,034.00	89.89
255 ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR						
1000-255-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	25,681.00	.00	.00	25,681.00	.00	100.00
1000-255-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	960.00	.00	.00	589.96	370.04	61.45
Total 255 ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR	26,641.00	.00	.00	26,270.96	370.04	98.61
292 ANIMAL CONTROL						
1000-292-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	86,952.00	.00	.00	83,100.84	3,851.16	95.57
1000-292-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	9,700.00	.00	.00	6,624.28	3,075.72	68.29
Total 292 ANIMAL CONTROL	96,652.00	.00	.00	89,725.12	6,926.88	92.83
294 TREE WARDEN						
1000-294-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	6,500.00	.00	.00	6,500.00	.00	100.00
1000-294-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	3,700.00	.00	.00	345.08	3,354.92	9.33
1000-294-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	10,626.00	.00	.00	9,832.69	793.31	92.53
Total 294 TREE WARDEN	20,826.00	.00	.00	16,677.77	4,148.23	80.08
299 AUXILIARY POLICE						
1000-299-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	5,766.00	.00	.00	5,766.00	.00	100.00
Total 299 AUXILIARY POLICE	5,766.00	.00	.00	5,766.00	.00	100.00
300 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT						
1000-300-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	5,000.00	.00	.00	5,000.00	.00	100.00
1000-300-0000-003-00-00-50001 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGE	19,512,486.00	95,793.30	.00	19,608,279.30	.00	100.00
Total 300 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	19,517,486.00	95,793.30	.00	19,613,279.30	.00	100.00
302 BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL						
1000-302-0000-003-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	688,992.00	.00	.00	688,992.00	.00	100.00
Total 302 BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL	688,992.00	.00	.00	688,992.00	.00	100.00
303 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION						
1000-303-3300-000-00-00-52000 TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES	1,450,000.00	(95,793.30)	.00	1,347,918.34	6,288.36	99.54
Total 303 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION	1,450,000.00	(95,793.30)	.00	1,347,918.34	6,288.36	99.54
421 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION						
1000-421-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	90,388.00	.00	.00	88,273.31	2,114.69	97.66
1000-421-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	22,860.00	.00	.00	22,162.08	697.92	96.95

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used	
Total 421 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION	113,248.00	.00	.00	110,435.39	2,812.61	97.52	
422 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINT							
1000-422-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	490,096.00	(55,000.00)	.00	419,261.12	15,834.88	96.36	
1000-422-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	228,320.00	105,000.00	.00	331,998.26	1,321.74	99.60	
Total 422 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINT	718,416.00	50,000.00	.00	751,259.38	17,156.62	97.77	
423 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL							
1000-423-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	20,000.00	.00	.00	66,569.20	(46,569.20)	332.85	
1000-423-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	80,000.00	196,178.78	.00	230,645.03	45,533.75	83.51	
Total 423 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL	100,000.00	196,178.78	.00	297,214.23	(1,035.45)	100.35	
424 STREET LIGHTING							
1000-424-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	135,000.00	15,000.00	.00	144,551.08	5,448.92	96.37	
Total 424 STREET LIGHTING	135,000.00	15,000.00	.00	144,551.08	5,448.92	96.37	
425 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE							
1000-425-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	64,000.00	.00	.00	63,999.38	.62	100.00	
Total 425 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	64,000.00	.00	.00	63,999.38	.62	100.00	
426 GAS AND OIL							
1000-426-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	164,000.00	.00	.00	159,655.21	4,344.79	97.35	
Total 426 GAS AND OIL	164,000.00	.00	.00	159,655.21	4,344.79	97.35	
433 SOLID WASTE							
1000-433-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	212,000.00	.00	.00	212,000.00	.00	100.00	
Total 433 SOLID WASTE	212,000.00	.00	.00	212,000.00	.00	100.00	
439 SANITARY LANDFILL							
1000-439-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	5,000.00	.00	.00	3,095.97	1,904.03	61.92	
Total 439 SANITARY LANDFILL	5,000.00	.00	.00	3,095.97	1,904.03	61.92	
491 CEMETERY DEPARTMENT							
1000-491-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	3,600.00	.00	.00	3,600.00	.00	100.00	
1000-491-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	6,300.00	.00	.00	6,300.00	.00	100.00	
Total 491 CEMETERY DEPARTMENT	9,900.00	.00	.00	9,900.00	.00	100.00	
510 BOARD OF HEALTH							
1000-510-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	3,000.00	.00	.00	3,000.00	.00	100.00	
1000-510-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	85,989.00	.00	.00	85,038.94	950.06	98.90	
1000-510-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	20,040.00	.00	.00	9,998.25	10,041.75	49.89	

Town of Bellingham
General Ledger Expenditure Summary

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007

Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
Total 510 BOARD OF HEALTH	109,029.00	.00	.00	98,037.19	10,991.81	89.92
541 COUNCIL ON AGING						
1000-541-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	107,926.00	.00	.00	107,894.34	31.66	99.97
1000-541-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	23,307.00	.00	.00	23,308.24	(1.24)	100.01
Total 541 COUNCIL ON AGING	131,233.00	.00	.00	131,202.58	30.42	99.98
543 VETERANS SERVICES						
1000-543-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	3,000.00	.00	.00	3,000.00	.00	100.00
1000-543-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	15,250.00	4,000.00	.00	18,033.76	1,216.24	93.68
Total 543 VETERANS SERVICES	18,250.00	4,000.00	.00	21,033.76	1,216.24	94.53
549 VETERANS GRAVE AGENT						
1000-549-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	600.00	.00	.00	.00	600.00	.00
1000-549-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	250.00	.00	.00	.00	250.00	.00
Total 549 VETERANS GRAVE AGENT	850.00	.00	.00	.00	850.00	.00
610 LIBRARY						
1000-610-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	600.00	.00	.00	600.00	.00	100.00
1000-610-0000-006-00-00-51000 SALARIES	269,381.00	.00	.00	268,994.20	386.80	99.86
1000-610-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	168,241.00	.00	.00	168,093.81	147.19	99.91
Total 610 LIBRARY	438,222.00	.00	.00	437,688.01	533.99	99.88
630 PARKS AND RECREATION						
1000-630-0000-000-00-00-51180 APPOINTED SALARIES	3,050.00	.00	.00	3,050.00	.00	100.00
1000-630-0000-006-00-00-51000 SALARIES	47,500.00	.00	.00	40,877.52	6,622.48	86.06
1000-630-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	52,028.00	.00	.00	52,028.00	.00	100.00
Total 630 PARKS AND RECREATION	102,578.00	.00	.00	95,955.52	6,622.48	93.54
650 HISTORICAL COMMISSION						
1000-650-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	5,500.00	.00	.00	5,325.65	174.35	96.83
Total 650 HISTORICAL COMMISSION	5,500.00	.00	.00	5,325.65	174.35	96.83
651 CULTURAL COUNCIL						
1000-651-0000-006-00-00-51000 SALARIES	7,500.00	.00	.00	7,500.00	.00	100.00
Total 651 CULTURAL COUNCIL	7,500.00	.00	.00	7,500.00	.00	100.00
660 MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS						
1000-660-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	12,000.00	.00	.00	9,473.62	2,526.38	78.95
Total 660 MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS	12,000.00	.00	.00	9,473.62	2,526.38	78.95

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Town of Bellingham
General Ledger Expenditure Summary

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007						
Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
710 DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT						
1000-710-0000-007-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	3,050,000.00	.00	.00	3,048,900.16	1,099.84	99.96
Total 710 DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT	3,050,000.00	.00	.00	3,048,900.16	1,099.84	99.96
715 DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST ON BONDS						
1000-715-0000-007-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	2,375,000.00	(161,000.00)	.00	2,095,566.94	118,433.06	94.65
Total 715 DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST ON BONDS	2,375,000.00	(161,000.00)	.00	2,095,566.94	118,433.06	94.65
800 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS						
	.00	671,237.00	.00	669,369.00	1,868.00	99.72
Total 800 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	.00	671,237.00	.00	669,369.00	1,868.00	99.72
910 FISCAL 2006 - ARTICLES						
	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Total 910 FISCAL 2006 - ARTICLES	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES						
	630,821.77	1,228,133.12	.00	1,211,921.21	647,033.68	65.19
Total 911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	630,821.77	1,228,133.12	.00	1,211,921.21	647,033.68	65.19
921 BROUGHT FORWARD ARTICLES						
	(331,639.77)	1,373,342.28	.00	495,662.12	546,040.39	47.58
Total 921 BROUGHT FORWARD ARTICLES	(331,639.77)	1,373,342.28	.00	495,662.12	546,040.39	47.58
950 ENCUMBRANCES						
	.00	61,163.77	.00	32,360.37	28,803.40	52.91
Total 950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	61,163.77	.00	32,360.37	28,803.40	52.91
991 TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST						
1000-991-0000-009-00-00-59000 INTERFUND TRANSFERS	75,000.00	.00	.00	75,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 991 TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST	75,000.00	.00	.00	75,000.00	.00	100.00
992 TRANSFER TO GROUP INS TRUST						
1000-992-0000-009-00-00-59000 INTERFUND TRANSFER	4,800,000.00	175,000.00	.00	4,975,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 992 TRANSFER TO GROUP INS TRUST	4,800,000.00	175,000.00	.00	4,975,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 1000 General Fund	42,888,363.00	3,741,796.11	.00	44,695,180.90	1,934,978.21	95.85

Town of Bellingham
General Ledger Expenditure Summary

Fiscal Year: 2007 to 2007

Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
Accounts : 1.272	46,719,791.00	4,229,730.48	.00	49,834,144.27	1,115,377.21	97.81
**** Grand Total ****						

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: E
FY: 2007 to 2007
Fund: 0100 to 1000
Account Sub Type: CP

FISCAL 2007 DEBT SCHEDULE
LONG TERM DEBT SCHEDULE

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 Town of Bellingham
 General Ledger Trial Balance

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account and Description	Beginning Balance	Debits	Credits	Ending Balance
=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
9700 ACCT GRP-LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS				
19801 AMTS TO BE PROV-LTD (LANDFILL)	90,000.00	.00	.00	90,000.00
19850 AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED-ABSCN	1,180,650.00	.00	.00	1,180,650.00
19960 AMOUNTS TO PROVIDE FOR BONDS	42,695,795.87	.00	.00	42,695,795.87
28001 LANDFILL CLOSING/MONITOR COSTS	(90,000.00)	.00	.00	(90,000.00)
28850 ACCRUED COMP ABS PAYABLE	(1,180,650.00)	.00	.00	(1,180,650.00)
29008 I-BDS PAY-STALLBROOK ROOF 1994	(130,800.00)	.00	.00	(130,800.00)
29010 I-BDS PAY-PINECREST ROOF-1994	(150,000.00)	.00	.00	(150,000.00)
29011 I-BDS-MACY ROOF 1996	(136,000.00)	.00	.00	(136,000.00)
29016 I-BDS-MAPLE ST RECON 2001	(165,000.00)	.00	.00	(165,000.00)
29017 I-BDS-SENIOR CENTER 2001	(630,000.00)	.00	.00	(630,000.00)
29019 I-BDS- AMBULANCE 2003	(40,000.00)	.00	.00	(40,000.00)
29040 I-TH RENOVATE (1.225K) (2005)	(1,100,000.00)	.00	.00	(1,100,000.00)
29041 I-BDS LAND ACQUISITION (2004)	(1,010,000.00)	.00	.00	(1,010,000.00)
29042 I-BDS ROAD RECONSTRUCTION-2005	(960,000.00)	.00	.00	(960,000.00)
29512 O-BDS PAY-SEWER 1991	(1,084,183.87)	.00	.00	(1,084,183.87)
29513 O-BDS PAY-SEWER 1994	(2,049,200.00)	.00	.00	(2,049,200.00)
29518 O-BDS-LANDFILL 1995	(500,000.00)	.00	.00	(500,000.00)
29520 O-BDS REMEDIATED SWR 1996 200K	(136,772.00)	.00	.00	(136,772.00)
29521 O-BDS-NEW JR/SR HighSchool	(23,985,000.00)	.00	.00	(23,985,000.00)
29522 O-BDS- PHASE III SEWER (2001)	(268,832.00)	.00	.00	(268,832.00)
29523 O-BDS- MIDDLE SCHOOL RENOVATE	(9,905,000.00)	.00	.00	(9,905,000.00)
29524 O-BDS REMEDIATED SWR 2001 200K	(160,008.00)	.00	.00	(160,008.00)
29525 O-BDS REMEDIATED SWR 2006 300K	(285,000.00)	.00	.00	(285,000.00)
37000 BONDS AUTHORIZED/UNISSUED MEMO	(1,920,000.00)	.00	193,750.00	(2,113,750.00)
37005 BDS AUTH-REMEDIED SWR 1996	50,000.00	.00	.00	50,000.00
37042 PULASKI SEWER ART 22-2006-500K	500,000.00	.00	.00	500,000.00
37043 PULASKI (400K) (2006)	400,000.00	.00	.00	400,000.00
37044 BA FIRE PUMPER (2007) 400K	400,000.00	.00	.00	400,000.00
37045 PULASKI BLVD IMPROV(2007)370K	370,000.00	.00	.00	370,000.00
37046 REMEDIATED SWR (2008) 200K	200,000.00	.00	.00	200,000.00
37047 B/A- KBOUGH ROOF REPLACEMENT (2008)	.00	193,750.00	.00	193,750.00
Total 9700 ACCT GRP-LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS	.00	193,750.00	193,750.00	.00
Accounts: 31	.00	193,750.00	193,750.00	.00
***** Net Total *****				

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: ALF
 FY: 2008 to 2008
 Fund: 9700 to 9700
 Account Sub Type: CP

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account and Description	Beginning Balance	Debits	Credits	Ending Balance
0200 WATER-OPERATING				
19850 AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED-ABSCEN	97,500.00	.00	.00	97,500.00
19960 AMOUNTS TO PROVIDE FOR BONDS	2,489,816.15	.00	.00	2,489,816.15
28850 ACCRUED COMP ABS PAYABLE	(97,500.00)	.00	.00	(97,500.00)
37000 BONDS AUTHORIZED/UNISSUED MEMO	(2,265,000.00)	.00	.00	(2,265,000.00)
37214 PULASKI WATER MAIN 2006-800K	1,365,000.00	.00	.00	1,365,000.00
37216 GROVE ST STANDPIPE REHAB	900,000.00	.00	.00	900,000.00
39003 I-WATER BONDS -2003	(210,000.00)	.00	.00	(210,000.00)
39004 I-BDS 10 WHEELER - 2005	(75,000.00)	.00	.00	(75,000.00)
39503 O-BDS-WATER BONDS - 2003	(405,000.00)	.00	.00	(405,000.00)
39508 O-BDS PAY-WATER FACILITY	(472,532.14)	.00	.00	(472,532.14)
39509 O-BDS PAY-WATER MAIN 1991	(26,251.79)	.00	.00	(26,251.79)
39511 O-BDS PAY-WELL 1991	(32,032.22)	.00	.00	(32,032.22)
39517 O-BDS WELL CONSTRUCTION 1996	(264,000.00)	.00	.00	(264,000.00)
39520 O-BDS-WATER METERS 2005	(490,000.00)	.00	.00	(490,000.00)
39521 O-BDS WATER MAIN-FARM ST 2005	(10,000.00)	.00	.00	(10,000.00)
39522 O-BDS BLACKSTONE ST 2005	(25,000.00)	.00	.00	(25,000.00)
39523 O-BDS BLACK, S MAIN, MECH 2004	(210,000.00)	.00	.00	(210,000.00)
39524 O-BDS AUXILIARY POWER 2005	(270,000.00)	.00	.00	(270,000.00)
Total 0200 WATER-OPERATING	.00	.00	.00	.00
Accounts: 18	.00	.00	.00	.00
***** Net Total *****				

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: ALF

FY: 2008 to 2008

Department: 970 to 970

Fund: 0200 to 0200

Account Sub Type: CP

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TAX COLLECTIONS/ABATEMENTS

Town of Bellingham
Outstanding Balance Report
For Tax Year 2007

Tax Category	Bill#	Taxes	Betterments	Liens	Deductions	Payments	Interest	Adjustments	Balance
Interest									
Interest	Total					71792.54	72253.91		461.37
Water Lien Interest Total				797.48		1134.93	471.83	-71.23	63.15
Water Lien Interest Total				526.07		699.96	277.28	-55.37	48.02
Wastewater	Total					2160.00	3085.00	-540.00	385.00
Betterments	Total		64472.57			62185.67		-617.46	1669.44
Betterment Interest Total						254.62	254.62		
Water Liens	Total			51445.53		41471.32		-4422.32	5551.89
Water Lien	Total			25500.02		20689.32		-1934.05	2876.65
Wastewater Liens	Total			53446.74		43864.80		-5013.20	4568.74
Real Estate Tax	Total	21229620.41			208307.37	20665940.80		-144998.72	210373.52
Water V- Phase I	Total		24169.45			24169.45			
Water V-Phase I Int Total						75.62	75.62		
Total for Tax Year 2007		21229620.41	88642.02	131715.84	208307.37	20934439.03	76418.26	-157652.35	225997.78

-MOODY'S INVESTORS-
CONTINUING DISCLOSURE REPORT
AS OF JUNE 30, 2007

Annual Report

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

**For Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2007**

Filing Date: March 26, 2008

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
/s/ Marilyn Mathieu, Chief Financial Officer

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

General

The Town of Bellingham, which was incorporated as a town in 1719, is located in Norfolk County along the southern section of Massachusetts' new growth corridor, Interstate Route 495. It is bordered on the east by the Towns of Franklin and Wrentham, on the south by Woonsocket, Rhode Island, on the west by Blackstone, Mendon and Hopedale and on the north by Milford and Medway. Bellingham, a residential community, is located approximately 35 miles from Boston, 27 miles from Providence, and within 30 miles of Attleboro, Brockton and Worcester. The Town covers a land area of approximately 18.5 square miles and, according to the 2000 census, has a population of 15,314.

Bellingham's location 10 minutes south of the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) and the same distance north of Interstate 95 provides high accessibility to the entire eastern area of Massachusetts and northern Rhode Island. In addition, the Town is situated almost equidistant from Boston, Providence and Worcester, the major markets and cultural-educational-entertainment cores of southern New England.

Local Government

The Town has a five-member Board of Selectmen and operates under an open town meeting form of government. At the Annual Town Meeting in 1993, the Town voted to adopt a charter creating the position of Town Administrator with powers to appoint various officials and direct the operations of the Town. The Charter established the position of Chief Financial Officer who directly supervises the operations of the accounting office, the Treasurer/Collector, and the office of the Board of Assessors, which centralizes all town financial matters. Selectmen are elected to serve three-year terms on a staggered basis.

Other elected officials include the Town Clerk and Moderator. A five-member School Committee is also elected, as is the Planning Board, Housing Authority, Library Trustees and Town Constables. Voters elect a representative to the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational-Technical School District Committee, of which the Town is a member.

Principal Executive Officers

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Manner of Selection</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Board of Selectmen	Ann Odabashian, Chair	Elected	May, 2008
	Richard Martinelli, Vice Chair	Elected	May, 2009
	Skip Goodnow	Elected	May, 2009
	Dawn Davies	Elected	May, 2010
	Ronald Picard	Elected	May, 2008
Town Administrator	Denis C. Fraine	Appointed	June, 2008
Chief Financial Officer	Marilyn A. Mathieu	Appointed	June, 2008
Town Collector	Grace L. Devitt	Appointed	June, 2010
Town Treasurer	Grace L. Devitt	Appointed	June, 2010
Town Clerk	Kathleen M. Harvey	Elected	May, 2008
Town Counsel	Lee G. Ambler	Appointed	June, 2008

Municipal Services

The Town provides general governmental services for the territory within its boundaries. These services include police and fire protection, streets, water and sewer, parks and recreation, and public education in grades K through 12. The Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational-Technical School District provides vocational and technical education for grades 9 through 12.

Solid waste disposal is provided for those residents who are part of a residential curbside collection program. Participation in the program is through a user fee and is limited to residential solid waste from single family and multiple family dwellings.

Town residents are actively involved in many elected and appointed positions that also serve the Town, such as the Affordable Fair Housing Committee, an Arts Council, a Council on Aging, the Historic Commission, the Finance Committee, and a Community Development Commission.

Transportation

Bellingham is centrally located between three commercial airports: Boston (Logan International), Providence and Worcester. In addition, a private airport, Draper Airport, is five minutes from Bellingham in the adjacent Town of Hopedale.

There is no intercity or intracity bus service available in Bellingham. However, intercity carriers do serve the adjacent communities of Franklin and Milford, Massachusetts, and Woonsocket, Rhode Island. In addition, the MBTA provides weekday commuter rail service from nearby Franklin to Boston.

Rail freight service to the Bellingham area is provided by Conrail, and the Providence and Worcester Railroad has lines which extend throughout the Town.

The most important mode of transportation for Bellingham manufacturers is trucking. The Town's industrial zones are situated within a short distance of Interstate 495, and more than 30 trucking firms serve the Bellingham area. Most have terminals in the Framingham and Worcester, Massachusetts, or Providence, Rhode Island, areas. However, one firm, Truckadyne, is headquartered in Bellingham.

Utilities

Phase I of the Town's Sewer Project was completed in 1990, tying the northern and central sections of Town into the Charles River Pollution Control District (CRPCD). Phase II of the Town's Sewer Project, financed by bonds dated September 15, 1994, was completed in 1994 increasing the Water and Sewer Division's operating capacity to five sewer pumping stations, sixteen miles of sewer pipes and three metering stations.

The Bellingham Water Department provides water to most Town residents and businesses. Town water is supplied from eight gravel packed wells and is distributed to approximately 4,766 customers through a 90-mile pipe network of 6 inch to 16 inch mains. In addition, there are some 150 private wells in Bellingham.

The average daily pumping rate is 1.58 MGD, with a peak rate of 2.4 MGD. The system's storage capacity in three standpipes is 5.0 million gallons. The water supply in Bellingham is presently adequate and capacity to serve long-term growth appears to be good.

Two power companies, Boston Edison and Massachusetts Electric, supply electricity to Bellingham. The Northeast Energy Association's gas-fired co-generation plant, located in Bellingham, generates in excess of \$2,300,000 in tax revenues annually. The facility was the first new electric generation facility to be built in Massachusetts since the Pilgrim Nuclear Plant and provides approximately 10 percent of Boston Edison's current capacity. In March 2000 construction began on another gas-fired electric generation plant which was completed in 2003. Tax revenues in excess of \$50 million are expected over the next 20 years from the recently completed plant. No other power plants are proposed for construction within the Town.

Bay State Gas is the provider of natural gas to the Bellingham area.

Education

The Town's school system currently maintains and operates three elementary schools and a junior-senior high school, providing education from preschool through grade 12, and an educational center for students requiring special education. To meet anticipated future enrollment needs, the Town constructed a new senior high school and renovated the Middle School, at an estimated total cost of \$42.2 million. The Town believes that school capacity will be adequate for the foreseeable future. The Town is receiving state school construction grants that cover 76 percent of eligible project costs, including debt service associated with the financing of these projects.

In addition, the Town is a member of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, which provides vocational training for students in grades 9 through 12.

School Enrollments (1)

	Actual						Projected
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Kindergarten - 6	1,673	1,030	1,445	1,384	1,349	1,349	1,369
Grades 7 -8	491	853	432	440	442	417	381
Grades 9 -12	893	781	805	786	800	789	815
Total	3,057	2,664	2,682	2,610	2,591	2,555	2,565

Source: Superintendent of Schools.
(1) As of October 1.

Population and Income

The following table illustrates census information for the Town, the Commonwealth and the United States.

	Bellingham	Massachusetts	United States
Median Age:			
2000	36.3	36.5	35.3
1990	32.0	33.6	32.9
Median Family Income:			
2000	\$ 72,074	\$ 61,664	\$ 50,046
1990	50,681	44,367	35,225
Per Capita Income:			
2000	\$ 25,047	\$ 25,952	\$ 21,587
1990	15,869	17,224	14,420

Source: Federal Census.

Employment by Industry

The following table presents a breakdown of the major categories of employment for the Town:

Industry	Calendar Year Average			
	2003	2004	2005	2006
Construction	364	382	403	387
Manufacturing	529	593	619	593
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,529	2,314	2,436	2,741
Financial Activities	95	86	79	83
Professional and Business Services	408	213	251	254
Leisure and Hospitality	753	780	800	781
Other Services	466	221	213	203
Total Employment	5,144	4,589	4,801	5,042
Number of Establishments	424	440	426	422
Average Weekly Wages	\$537	\$561	\$569	\$594
Total Wages	\$143,689,444	\$155,549,447	\$164,172,399	\$179,539,165

Major Employers

Following are the major employers in the community, excluding the Town which employs approximately 525 persons:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Nature of Business</u>	<u>Number of Employees</u>
Walmart	Retail	250
Dunkin Donuts	N.E. Distribution	200
Blue Linx/ABP Bellingham	Lumber Distribution Warehouse	120
Home Depot	Retail	100
Jaco	Machine Shop	90
Truckadyne	Trucking Company (Corporate Headquarters)	85

Source: Chief Financial Officer.

Unemployment Rates

According to the Massachusetts Department of Employment and Training data, in December 2007, the Town had a total labor force of 9,538 of whom 9,128 were employed and 410 or 4.3% were unemployed as compared to 4.1% for the Commonwealth and 3.9% for Norfolk County.

The following table sets forth the Town's average labor force and unemployment rates for calendar years 2002 through 2006 in comparison with the unemployment rates for Norfolk County, the Commonwealth and the U.S. as a whole for the same period:

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Town of Bellingham</u>		<u>Unemployment Rate</u>		
	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>	<u>Norfolk County</u>	<u>Massachusetts</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
2006	9,641	5.1%	4.3%	4.9%	4.6%
2005	9,514	4.5	4.1	4.8	5.2
2004	9,605	4.9	4.5	4.4	5.4
2003	9,026	6.2	4.8	5.8	6.0
2002	9,835	4.9	4.3	5.3	5.8

Source: Massachusetts Department of Employment and Training.

Building Permits

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Residential</u>		<u>Non-Residential</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Value</u>
2007	425	\$8,112,154	87	\$6,820,082	512	\$14,932,236
2006	475	15,021,344	64	4,165,816	539	19,187,150
2005	706	23,426,317	78	198,767,600(1)	784	222,193,917
2004	684	16,489,476	138	37,002,261	822	53,491,737
2003	707	18,524,138	80	1,370,630	797	21,456,388

Source: Town of Bellingham Building Inspector.

(1) Increase due to 1,400 apartments built by JPI and a Dunkin Donuts distribution center.

PROPERTY TAXATION

The principal revenue source of the Town is the tax on real and personal property. The amount to be levied in each year is the amount appropriated or required by law to be raised for municipal expenditures less estimated receipts from other sources and less appropriations voted from funds on hand. The total amount levied is subject to certain limits prescribed by law; for a description of those limits, see "Tax Limitations," below. As to the inclusion of debt service and final judgments.

The estimated receipts for a fiscal year from sources other than the property tax may not exceed the actual receipts during the preceding fiscal year from the same sources unless approved by the State Commissioner of Revenue. Excepting special funds the use of which is otherwise provided for by law, the deduction for appropriations voted from funds on hand for a fiscal year cannot exceed the "free cash" as of the beginning of the prior fiscal year as certified by the State Director of Accounts plus up to nine months' collections and receipts on account of earlier years' taxes after that date. Subject to certain adjustments, free cash is surplus revenue less uncollected overdue property taxes from earlier years.

Although an allowance is made in the tax levy for abatements (see "Abatements and Overlay," below), no reserve is generally provided for uncollectible real property taxes. Since some of the levy is inevitably not collected, this creates a cash deficiency which may or may not be offset by other items (see "Taxation to Meet Deficits," below).

Tax Levy Computation

The following table illustrates the manner in which the tax levy was determined for the current and last four fiscal years:

	For Fiscal Year				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Gross Amount to be Raised:					
Appropriations (1)	\$ 50,131,443	\$ 49,281,806	\$ 45,940,475	\$ 42,772,907	\$ 44,215,449
Other Local Expenditures	165,494	44,504	102,113	280,023	34,323
State & County Charges	734,142	671,237	589,627	611,129	534,910
Overlay Reserve	635,368	454,888	353,996	237,304	338,174
Total Gross Amount to be Raised	\$ 51,666,448	\$ 50,452,435	\$ 46,986,211	\$ 43,901,363	\$ 45,122,856
Less Estimated Receipts & Other Revenue:					
Estimated Receipts from State (2)	\$ 13,178,540	\$ 12,572,703	\$ 12,073,150	\$ 11,765,526	\$ 11,463,644
Estimated Receipts - Local	7,423,034	7,061,428	6,857,074	6,535,826	6,198,065
Available Funds Appropriated (3):					
Free Cash	1,638,400	1,350,115	1,330,036	1,569,350	1,129,850
Other Available Funds	2,415,267	3,150,524	2,005,932	381,000	3,909,880
Free Cash and Other Revenue Used to Reduce the Tax Rate	-	-	-	-	-
Total Estimated Receipts & Revenue	\$ 24,655,241	\$ 24,134,769	\$ 22,266,192	\$ 20,251,702	\$ 22,701,439
Net Amount to be Raised (Tax Levy)	\$ 27,011,207	\$ 26,307,666	\$ 24,720,018	\$ 23,649,661	\$ 22,421,417
Property Valuation (000)	\$ 2,410,170	\$ 2,156,785	\$ 2,245,761	\$ 2,041,309	\$ 1,917,474
Tax Rate per \$1,000:	\$ 11.21	\$ 13.32	\$ 11.01	\$ 10.31	\$ 10.40

Source: Board of Assessors.

Note: Property tax rates may not be set by the local assessors until they have been approved by the Commissioner of Revenue.

- (1) Includes additional appropriations from taxation voted subsequent to adoption of the annual budget but prior to setting of the tax rate.
- (2) Estimated by the State Department of Revenue and required by law to be used in setting of the tax rate. Actual state aid payments may vary upward or downward from said estimates, and the State may withhold payments pending receipt of State and County assessments.
- (3) Transfers from other available funds, including "free cash" (See "TOWN FINANCES - Free Cash"), generally made as an offset to a particular appropriation item.

Assessed and Equalized Valuations

Property is classified for the purposes of taxation according to its use. The legislature has in substance created three classes of taxable property: (1) residential real property; (2) open space land, and (3) all other (commercial, industrial and personal property). Within limits, cities and towns are given the option of determining the share of the annual levy to be borne by each of the three categories. The share to be borne by residential real property must be at least 50 percent of its share of the total taxable valuation. The effective rate for open space must be at least 75 percent of the effective rate for residential real property. The share of commercial, industrial and personal property must not exceed 175 percent of their share of the total valuation. A city or town may also exempt up to 20 percent of the valuation of residential real property (where used as the taxpayer's principal residence) and up to 10 percent of the value of commercial real property (where occupied by certain small businesses). Property may not be classified in a city or town until the State Commissioner of Revenue certifies that all property in the city or town has been assessed at its fair cash value. Such certification must take place every three years.

Related statutes provide that certain forest land, agricultural or horticultural land (assessed at the value it has for these purposes) and recreational land (assessed on the basis of its use at a maximum of 25 percent of its fair cash value) are all to be taxed at the rate applicable to commercial property. Land classified as forest land is valued for this purpose at five percent of fair cash value, but not less than \$10 per acre.

In order to determine appropriate relative values for the purpose of certain distributions to and assessments upon cities and towns, the Commissioner of Revenue biennially makes his own redetermination of the fair cash value of the taxable property in each municipality. This is known as "equalized value." (See "Debt Limits," below.)

Valuation of real and personal property in Bellingham is established by the Board of Assessors. The Town underwent revaluation most recently in fiscal 2008, and is currently at 96.1 percent of equalized valuation as shown below:

Fiscal Year	Assessed Valuations (1)			Official Equalized Valuation (2)	Assessed Valuation as a Percent of Equalized
	Real Property	Personal Property	Total		
2008	\$2,112,918,126	\$297,252,241	\$2,410,170,367	\$2,509,075,900	96.1%
2007	2,156,784,841	388,148,195	2,544,933,036	2,509,075,900	101.4
2006	1,869,101,797	376,659,975	2,245,761,772	2,047,232,900	109.7
2005	1,659,351,273	381,958,134	2,041,309,407	2,047,232,900	99.7
2004	1,541,293,051	376,181,038	1,917,474,089	1,600,519,500	119.8

(1) Source: Board of Assessors

(2) Source: Massachusetts Department of Revenue - Equalized valuations are established as of January 1 of even-numbered years for the next two years.

Classification of Property

The following is a breakdown by classification of the Town's assessed valuations for the current and last two fiscal years:

	Fiscal 2008			Fiscal 2007			Fiscal 2006	
	Assessed Valuation	% of Total		Assessed Valuation	% of Total		Assessed Valuation	% of Total
Residential	\$1,778,507,458	73.8 %		\$1,823,110,945	71.6 %		\$1,596,901,867	71.1 %
Commercial	222,389,483	9.2		220,234,041	8.7		192,507,767	8.6
Industrial	112,021,185	4.6		113,439,855	4.5		79,692,163	3.5
Personal	297,252,241	12.3		388,148,195	15.3		376,659,975	16.8
Total	<u>\$2,410,170,367</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>		<u>\$2,544,933,036</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>		<u>\$2,245,761,772</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>

Source: Board of Assessors

Largest Taxpayers

Following are the largest taxpayers in the Town, based upon assessed valuations for fiscal 2008, all of whom are current in their property tax payments:

Name	Nature of Business	Fiscal 2008 Assessed Valuation	Fiscal 2008 Tax Levy	% of Net Tax Levy
American National Power (1)	Electric Generator	\$ 174,000,000	\$ 2,709,325	10.3 %
Florida Light and Power (1)	Electric Generator	76,450,000	1,300,000	4.9
151 N Main St Apt Investor LLC	Luxury Apts.	30,659,800	298,933	1.1
Charles River Bellingham LLC	Shopping Center	28,242,300	432,390	1.6
Dunkin Donuts NE Dist Ctr	N.E. Distribution Center	18,728,800	286,738	1.1
Varney Bros. Sand & Gravel	Sand and Gravel	18,650,600	242,282	0.9
ABP MA Bellingham LLC	Lumber Distribution	17,969,800	275,118	1.0
Bellingham N. Main St. II LLC	Shopping Center	17,148,800	262,548	1.0
Bellingham Venture LTD	Shopping Center	12,606,500	193,006	0.7
GRE Mechanic St. LLC	EMC Land	12,509,700	191,524	0.7
Total		<u>\$ 406,966,300</u>	<u>\$ 6,191,862</u>	<u>23.5 %</u>

Source: Assessors/Tax Collector.

(1) Payment in Lieu of Taxes.

Abatements and Overlay

The Town is authorized to increase each tax levy by an amount approved by the State Commissioner of Revenue as an "overlay" to provide for tax abatements. If abatements are granted in excess of the applicable overlay, the excess is required to be added to the next tax levy.

Abatements are granted where exempt real or personal property has been assessed or where taxable real or personal property has been overvalued or disproportionately valued. The assessors may also abate uncollectible personal property taxes. They may abate real and personal property taxes on broad grounds (including inability to pay) with approval of the State Commissioner of Revenue, but uncollected real property taxes are not ordinarily written off until they become municipal "tax titles" by purchase at the public sale or by taking, at which time the tax is written off in full by reserving the amount of the tax and charging surplus.

The following table sets forth the amount of the overlay reserve for the last five fiscal years, abatements granted during the fiscal year against that fiscal year's levy and overlay balance per fiscal year as of June 30, 2007:

Fiscal Year	Net Tax Levy (1)	Overlay Reserve	As a % of Net Levy	Abatements Granted During Fiscal Year of Levy
2007	\$25,852,778	\$454,888	1.7%	\$203,160
2006	24,366,023	353,996	1.4	182,000
2005	23,412,357	237,303	1.0	161,958
2004	22,083,243	338,174	1.5	135,966
2003	19,822,708	201,719	1.0	194,546

Source: Chief Financial Officer.

(1) Net of overlay reserve for abatements.

Tax Collections

Effective for fiscal year beginning July 1, 1994, the Town of Bellingham accepted a statute providing for quarterly tax payments. Under the statute, preliminary tax payments are due on August 1 and March 1, with payments of the actual tax bill (after a credit is given for the preliminary payments) in installments on February 1 and September 1 if actual bills are mailed by December 31.

The following table sets forth the trend in the Town's tax collections:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Gross Tax Levy</u>	<u>Overlay Reserve for Abatements</u>	<u>Net Tax Levy (1)</u>	<u>% of Net Collected at FY-End (2,3)</u>	<u>% of Net Collected at 6/30/07 (3)</u>
2007	\$26,307,666	\$454,888	\$25,852,778	97%	97%
2006	24,720,018	353,996	24,336,023	98	100
2005	23,649,661	237,304	23,412,357	99	100
2004	22,421,417	338,174	22,083,243	98	100
2003	20,024,428	201,719	19,822,708	97	100

(1) Net of overlay reserve for abatements.

(2) i.e., at the end of the fiscal year for which levied.

(3) Actual collections less refunds, but excluding proceeds of tax titles and possessions attributable to that year's levy. Non-cash credits which may be abated later are not included in the amount allowed for refunds here.

Tax Titles and Possessions

Real property (land and buildings) is subject to a lien for the taxes assessed upon it, subject to any paramount federal lien and subject to bankruptcy and insolvency laws. (In addition, real property is subject to a lien for certain unpaid municipal charges or fees.) If the property has been transferred, an unenforced lien expires on the fourth December 31 after the end of the fiscal year to which the tax relates. If the property has not been transferred by the fourth December 31, an unenforced lien expires upon a later transfer of the property. Provision is made, however, for continuation of the lien where it could not be enforced because of a legal impediment.

The persons against whom real or personal property taxes are assessed are personally liable for the tax (subject to bankruptcy and insolvency laws). In the case of real property, this personal liability is effectively extinguished by sale or taking of the property as described below.

Massachusetts law permits a municipality either to sell by public sale (at which the municipality may become the purchaser) or to take real property for nonpayment of taxes. In either case, the property owner can redeem the property by paying the unpaid taxes, with interest and other charges, but if the right of redemption is not exercised within six months (which may be extended an additional year in the case of certain installment payments), it can be foreclosed by petition to the Land Court.

Upon such foreclosure, a tax title purchased or taken by the municipality becomes a "tax possession" and may be held and disposed of in the same manner as other land held for municipal purposes. Uncollectible real property taxes are ordinarily not written off until they become municipal tax titles (either by purchase at the public sale or by taking), at which time the tax is written off in full by reserving the amount of tax and charging surplus.

It is the Town's practice to commence taking of real property for nonpayment of taxes within one year from the due date of the taxes.

Taxes Outstanding

The following table presents aggregate overdue property taxes, tax titles and tax possessions outstanding for the last five fiscal years:

<u>As of June 30</u>	<u>Aggregate Taxes Outstanding (1)</u>	<u>Tax Titles</u>	<u>Tax Possessions</u>
2007	\$584,852	\$625,352	\$254,746
2006	402,879	639,124	266,842
2005	373,365	627,032	204,126
2004	350,568	573,421	204,126
2003	347,416	658,485	204,126

Source: Chief Financial Officer.

(1) For five prior fiscal years. Excludes abated taxes; includes taxes in litigation, if any.

Sale of Tax Receivables

Cities and towns are authorized to sell delinquent property tax receivables by public sale or auction, either individually or in bulk. The Town does not expect to utilize this option at the present time.

Taxation to Meet Deficits

Overlay deficits, i.e., tax abatements in excess of the overlay included in the tax levy to cover abatements, are required to be added to the next tax levy. It is generally understood that revenue deficits, i.e., those resulting from non-property tax revenues being less than anticipated, are also required to be added to the tax levy (at least to the extent not covered by surplus revenue).

Amounts lawfully expended since the prior tax levy and not included therein are also required to be included in the annual tax levy. The circumstances under which this can arise are limited since municipal departments are generally prohibited from incurring liabilities in excess of appropriations except for major disasters, mandated items, contracts in aid of housing and renewal projects and other long-term contracts. In addition, utilities must be paid at established rates, and certain established salaries, e.g. civil service, must legally be paid for work actually performed, whether or not covered by appropriations.

In the opinion of the Town, cities and towns are authorized to appropriate sums, and thus to levy taxes, to cover deficits arising from other causes, such as "free cash" deficits arising from a failure to collect taxes. This is not generally understood, however, and it has not been the practice to levy taxes to cover free cash deficits. Except to the extent that such deficits have been reduced or eliminated by subsequent collections of uncollected taxes (including sales of tax titles and tax possessions), lapsed appropriations, non-property tax revenues in excess of estimates, other miscellaneous items or funding loans authorized by special act, they remain in existence.

Tax Limitations

Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws, an initiative statute known as "Proposition 2 1/2," imposes two separate limits on the annual tax levy of a city or town.

The primary limitation is that the tax levy cannot exceed 2 1/2 percent of the full and fair cash value. If a city or town exceeds the primary limitation, it must reduce its tax levy by at least 15 percent annually until it is in compliance, provided that the reduction can be reduced in any year to not less than 7 1/2 percent by majority vote of the voters, or to less than 7 1/2 percent by two-thirds vote of the voters.

For cities and towns at or below the primary limit, a secondary limitation is that the tax levy cannot exceed the maximum levy limit for the preceding fiscal year as determined by the State Commissioner of Revenue by more than 2 1/2 percent, subject to exceptions for property added to the tax rolls or property which has had an increase, other than as part of a general revaluation, in its assessed valuation over the prior year's valuation. This "growth" limit on the tax levy may be exceeded in any year by a majority vote of the voters, but an increase in the secondary or growth limit under this procedure does not permit a tax levy in excess of the primary limitation, since the two limitations apply independently. In

addition, if the voters vote to approve taxes in excess of the "growth" limit for the purpose of funding a stabilization fund, such increased amount may only be taken into account for purposes of calculating the maximum levy limit in each subsequent year if the board of selectmen of a town or the city council of a city votes by a two-thirds vote to appropriate such increased amount in such subsequent year to the stabilization fund.

The applicable tax limits may also be reduced in any year by a majority vote of the voters.

The State Commissioner of Revenue may adjust any tax limit "to counterbalance the effects of extraordinary, non-recurring events which occurred during the base year."

The statute further provides that the voters may exclude from the taxes subject to the tax limits and from the calculation of the maximum tax levy (a) the amount required to pay debt service on bonds and notes issued before November 4, 1980, if the exclusion is approved by a majority vote of the voters, and (b) the amount required to pay debt service on any specific subsequent issue for which similar approval is obtained. Even with voter approval, the holders of the obligations for which unlimited taxes may be assessed do not have a statutory priority or security interest in the portion of the tax levy attributable to such obligations. It should be noted that Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 20 requires that the taxes excluded from the levy limit to pay debt service on any such bonds and notes be calculated based on the true interest cost of the issue. Accordingly, the Department of Revenue limits the amount of taxes which may be levied in each year to pay debt service on any such bonds and notes to the amount of such debt service, less a pro rata portion of any original issue premium received by the city or town that was not applied to pay costs of issuance.

Voters may also exclude from the Proposition 2 1/2 limits the amount required to pay specified capital outlay expenditures. In addition, the city council of a city, with the approval of the mayor if required, or the board of selectmen or the town council of a town may vote to exclude from the Proposition 2 1/2 limits taxes raised in lieu of sewer or water charges to pay debt service on bonds or notes issued by the municipality (or by an independent authority, commission or district) for water or sewer purposes, provided that the municipality's sewer or water charges are reduced accordingly.

In addition, the statute limits the annual increase in the total assessment on cities and towns by any county, district, authority, the Commonwealth or any other governmental entity (except regional school districts, the MWRA and certain districts for which special legislation provides otherwise) to the sum of (a) 2 1/2 percent of the prior year's assessments and (b) "any increases in costs, charges or fees for services customarily provided locally or for services subscribed to at local option." Regional water districts, regional sewerage districts and regional veterans' districts may exceed these limitations under statutory procedures requiring a two-thirds vote of the district's governing body and either approval of the local appropriating authorities (by two-thirds vote in districts with more than two members or by majority vote in two-member districts) or approval of the registered voters in a local election (in the case of two-member districts). Under the statute any state law to take effect on or after January 1, 1981 imposing a direct service or cost obligation on a city or town will become effective only if accepted or voluntarily funded by the city or town, or if state funding is provided. Similarly, state rules or regulations imposing additional costs on a city or town or laws granting or increasing local tax exemptions are to take effect only if adequate state appropriations are provided. These statutory provisions do not apply to costs resulting from judicial decisions.

Unused Levy Capacity (1)

The table below sets forth the trend in the Town's primary levy limits, maximum levy limits, actual tax levies and unused levy capacity:

	For Fiscal Year				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Primary Levy Limit (2)	\$ 60,254,259	\$ 63,554,015	\$ 56,144,044	\$ 51,032,735	\$ 47,936,852
Prior Fiscal Year Levy Limit	\$ 25,255,359	\$ 23,664,737	\$ 22,541,162	\$ 21,515,372	\$ 19,890,668
2.5% Levy Growth	631,384	591,618	563,529	537,884	497,267
New Growth (3)	316,678	999,004	560,046	487,906	1,127,437
Overrides	-	-	-	-	-
Growth Levy Limit	26,203,421	25,255,359	23,664,737	22,541,162	21,515,372
Debt Exclusions	599,308	615,701	636,951	1,201,607 (6)	1,095,279
Capital Expenditure Exclusions	453,000	-	453,000	-	-
Tax Levy Limit	\$ 27,255,729	\$ 26,324,060	\$ 24,754,688	\$ 23,742,769	\$ 22,610,651
Tax Levy	27,011,207	26,307,666	24,720,018	23,649,661	22,421,417
Unused Levy Capacity (4)	<u>\$ 244,522</u>	<u>\$ 16,394</u>	<u>\$ 34,670</u>	<u>\$ 93,108</u>	<u>\$ 189,234</u>
Unused Primary Levy Capacity (5)	<u>\$ 34,050,838</u>	<u>\$ 38,298,656</u>	<u>\$ 32,479,307</u>	<u>\$ 28,491,573</u>	<u>\$ 26,421,480</u>

- (1) Source: Massachusetts Department of Revenue.
(2) 2.5% of assessed valuation.
(3) Allowed increase for new valuations - certified by the Department of Revenue.
(4) Tax Levy Limit less Tax Levy.
(5) Primary Levy Limit less Growth Levy Limit.
(6) Other adjustments: included in Water/Sewer Revenues.

Impact of Proposition 2 1/2

As illustrated by the table above, the Town's primary response to the fiscal constraints imposed by Proposition 2 1/2 has been to vote to exclude a significant portion of its long-term debt from Proposition 2 1/2, and to date, the Town has approved debt exclusions totaling \$18,122,000 for various purposes.

Initiative Petitions

Various proposals have been made in recent years for legislative amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution to impose limits on state and local taxes. To be adopted, such amendments must be approved by two successive legislative sessions and then by the voters at a state election.

Pledged Taxes

Taxes on the increased value of certain property in designated development districts may be pledged for the payment of costs of economic development projects within such districts and may therefore be unavailable for other municipal purposes.

Community Preservation Act

The Massachusetts Community Preservation Act (the "CPA") permits cities and towns that accept its provisions to levy a surcharge on its real property tax levy and to receive state matching funds for the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of open space, historic resources and affordable housing. The provisions of the CPA must be accepted by the voters of the city or town at an election after such provisions have first been accepted by either a vote of the legislative body of the city or town or an initiative petition signed by 5% of its registered voters.

A city or town may approve a surcharge of up to 3% of the real property tax levy, and it may accept one or more exemptions to the surcharge under the CPA, including an exemption for low-income individuals and families and for low and moderate-income senior citizens, an exemption for \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property, and an exemption for commercial and industrial properties in cities and towns with classified tax rates. The surcharge is not counted in the total taxes assessed for the purpose of determining the permitted levy amount under Proposition 2 ½ (see "Tax Limitations" under "PROPERTY TAX"). A city or town may revoke its acceptance of the provisions of the CPA at any time after 5 years from the date of such acceptance and may change the amount of the surcharge or the exemptions to the surcharge at any time, provided that any such revocation or change must be approved pursuant to the same process as acceptance of the CPA.

Any city or town that accepts the provisions of the CPA will receive annual state matching grants to supplement amounts raised by its surcharge on the real property tax levy. The state matching funds are raised from certain recording and filing fees of the registers of deeds. Those amounts are deposited into a state trust fund and are distributed to cities and towns that have accepted the provision of the CPA, which distributions are not subject to annual appropriation by the state legislature. The amount distributed to each city and town is based on a statutory formula which requires that 80% of the amount in the state trust fund be used to match an equal percentage of the amount raised locally by each city and town, and that the remaining 20% of the amount in the fund be distributed only to those cities and towns that levy the maximum 3% surcharge base on a formula which takes into account equalized property valuation and population, resulting in larger distributions to those communities with low valuations and small populations. The total state distribution made to any city or town may not, however, exceed 100% of the amount raised locally by the surcharge on the real property tax levy.

The amounts raised by the surcharge on real property taxes and received in state matching funds are required to be deposited in a dedicated community preservation fund. Each city or town that accepts the provisions of the CPA is required to establish a community preservation committee to study the community preservation needs of the community and to make recommendations to the legislative body of the city or town regarding the community preservation projects that should be funded from the community preservation fund. Upon the recommendations of the committee, the legislative body of the city or town may appropriate amounts from the fund for permitted community preservation purposes or may reserve amounts for spending in future fiscal years, provided that at least 10% of the total annual revenues to the fund must be spent or set aside for open space purposes, 10% for historic resource purposes and 10% for affordable housing purposes.

The CPA authorizes cities and towns that accept its provisions to issue bonds and notes in anticipation of the receipt of surcharge revenues to finance community preservation projects approved under the provisions of the CPA. Bonds and notes issued under the CPA are general obligations of the city or town and are payable from amounts on deposit in the community preservation fund. In the event that a city or town revokes its acceptance of the provisions of the CPA, the surcharge shall remain in effect until all contractual obligations incurred by the city or town prior to such revocation, including the payment of bonds or notes issued under the CPA, have been fully discharged.

The Town has not adopted the Community Preservation Act.

TOWN FINANCES

The Budget and Appropriation Process

The annual appropriations of the Town are ordinarily made at the Annual Town Meeting which generally takes place in May. Appropriations may also be voted at Special Town Meetings. Every town must have an appropriation, advisory, or finance committee. The Town of Bellingham's Finance Committee makes recommendations with respect to the budget of proposed expenditures which is submitted by the Board of Selectmen at the Annual Town Meeting.

The school budget is limited to the total amount appropriated by the town meeting, but the school committee retains full power to allocate the funds appropriated.

State and county assessments, abatements in excess of overlays, principal and interest not otherwise provided for, and final judgments are included in the tax levy whether or not included in the budget. Revenues are not required to be set forth in the budget, but estimated non-tax revenues are taken into account by the assessors in fixing the tax levy.

Operating Budget Trends

The following table sets forth the trend in the Town's operating budgets:

	Appropriated Fiscal 2008	Appropriated Fiscal 2007	Appropriated Fiscal 2006	Appropriated Fiscal 2005	Appropriated Fiscal 2004
General Government	\$ 1,920,893	\$ 1,820,958	\$ 1,829,462	\$ 1,775,845	\$ 1,733,892
Insurance & Benefits	7,192,383	6,952,000	5,447,359	4,682,000	3,652,000
Public Safety	4,433,816	4,385,018	4,264,602	4,110,745	3,984,727
Education	22,093,252	21,656,478	20,707,917	19,881,497	19,184,847
Public Works	2,806,013	2,776,342	2,554,331	2,498,931	2,509,673
Health/Human Services	268,084	259,362	237,702	226,583	220,411
Recreation/Culture	584,071	565,800	548,642	531,458	516,531
Debt Service	5,425,000	5,425,000	5,500,000	5,500,000	5,500,000
Water/Sewer	2,337,320	2,306,650	2,119,035	1,908,788	2,177,320
Total	<u>\$ 47,060,832</u>	<u>\$ 46,147,608</u>	<u>\$ 43,209,050</u>	<u>\$ 41,115,847</u>	<u>\$ 39,479,401</u>

Source: Chief Financial Officer.

Education Reform

State legislation known as the Education Reform Act of 1993, as amended, imposes certain minimum expenditure requirements on municipalities with respect to funding for education and related programs, and may affect the level of state aid to be received for education. The requirements are determined on the basis of formulas affected by various measures of wealth and income, enrollments, prior levels of local spending and state aid, and other factors. The Town has routinely exceeded its spending requirements, as mandated by the Education Reform Act.

Capital Planning Committee

The Town has a Capital Planning Committee which reviews and updates a formalized 5-year operating and capital program on an annual basis. Upon review of the Town's needs, the Committee makes recommendations on various proposed capital projects to the Board of Selectmen based on priority.

Revenues

Property Taxes: Property taxes are the major source of revenue of the Town. The total amount levied is subject to certain limits prescribed by law; for a description of those limits, see "Tax Limitations," above.

State Distributions- In addition to grants for specified capital purposes (some of which are payable over the life of the bonds issued for the projects), the Commonwealth provides financial assistance to cities and towns for current purposes. Payments to cities and towns are derived primarily from a percentage of the State's personal income, sales and use, and corporate excise tax receipts, together with the net receipts from the State Lottery. A municipality's state aid entitlement is based on a number of different formulas, of which the "schools" and "lottery" formulas are the most important. Both of the major formulas tend to provide more state aid to poorer communities. The formulas for determining a municipality's state aid are subject to amendment by the state legislature, and while a formula might indicate that a particular amount of state aid is owed, the amount of state aid actually paid is limited to the amount appropriated by the state legislature.

In 1993, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court found that the State has an enforceable constitutional obligation to provide an adequate public education and that, at that time, the State was not fulfilling its obligation. Promptly thereafter, the state legislature adopted the Education Reform Act of 1993, referred to above, which, among other things, increased funding levels and changed allocation formulas for state school aid. In 1999, the litigation was reinstituted by a number of municipalities challenging the adequacy of the public education being provided by the State and seeking, among other things, additional state aid for their schools. Pursuant to a fact finding trial, the Superior Court issued a report to the Supreme Judicial Court which, among other things, concluded that the State is not satisfying its constitutional obligation with respect to certain municipal school systems and recommended that the Court order the State to provide funding necessary to pay for an adequate education in such municipalities. On February 15, 2005 the Supreme Judicial Court in effect held that the Commonwealth was currently meeting its constitutional obligation.

In the fall of 1986, both the State Legislature (by statute repealed as of July 1, 1999) and the voters (by initiative petition) placed limits on the growth of state tax revenues. Although somewhat different in detail, each measure essentially limited the annual growth in state tax revenues to an average rate of growth in wages and salaries in the Commonwealth over the three previous calendar years. If not amended, the remaining law could restrict the amount of state revenues available for state aid to local communities.

The following are state aid payments received by the Town (including revenue sharing, capital project grants and education) for fiscal years 2003 through 2007 and an estimate for fiscal year 2008:

Fiscal Year	State Aid Receipts
2008(1)	\$13,178,540 (estimate)
2007(2)	12,852,816
2006	12,055,875
2005	11,765,526
2004	11,463,644
2003	13,360,576 (3)

(1) Includes \$246,673 Massachusetts School Building Assistance.

(2) Includes \$267,900 Massachusetts School Building Assistance.

(3) Excludes the reduction of \$178,027.

State School Building Assistance Program

Under its school building assistance program, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts provides grants to cities, towns and regional school districts for school construction projects. Until July 26, 2004, the State Board of Education was responsible for approving grants for school projects and otherwise administering the program. Grant amounts ranged from 50% to 90% of approved project costs. Municipalities generally issued bonds to finance the entire project cost, and the Commonwealth disbursed the grants in equal annual installments over the term of the related bonds. Approved project costs included the interest expense incurred on debt issued by a municipality to finance the school project. In recent years, demand for school building assistance grants far exceeded available funds. As of July 1, 2004, a total of 425 projects for which completed grant applications had been submitted were still on the Department of Education's project priority list awaiting approval of a grant.

Pursuant to legislation which became effective on July 26, 2004, the state legislature created the Massachusetts School Building Authority (the "Authority") to finance and administer the school building assistance program. The Authority has assumed all powers and obligations of the Board of Education with respect to the program. In addition to certain other amounts, the legislation dedicates a portion of Commonwealth sales tax receipts to the Authority to finance the program.

Projects previously approved for grants by the State Board of Education are entitled to receive grant payments from the Authority based on the approved project cost and reimbursement rate applicable under the prior law. It is expected that the Authority will continue to pay the remaining amounts of the grants for such projects in annual installments to reimburse debt service on bonds issued by the municipalities to finance such projects.

Projects on the priority waiting list as of July 1, 2004 are also entitled to receive grant payments from the Authority based on the eligible project costs and reimbursement rates applicable under the prior law. With limited exceptions, the Authority is required to fund the grants for such projects in the order in which they appear on the waiting list. The Authority expects to pay grants for all of the projects on the priority waiting list by the end of fiscal year 2008. Grants for such projects are expected to be paid in lump sum payments, thereby eliminating the need for the Authority to reimburse interest expenses that would otherwise be incurred by the municipalities to permanently finance the Authority's share of such project costs. Interest on debt issued by municipalities prior to July 1, 2004 to finance such project costs, and interest on temporary debt until receipt of the grant, shall be included in the approved costs of such projects.

Grant applications for new projects may not be submitted to the Authority until July 1, 2007. The range of reimbursement rates for such projects has been reduced to between 40% and 80% of approved project costs. Prior to that date, the Authority is required to engage in a comprehensive review of the school building assistance program, to recommend legislative changes, to adopt new maximum eligible cost and size standards, and to promulgate new regulations. The Authority expects to pay grants for such projects in lump sum payments as project costs are incurred. None of the interest expense incurred on debt issued by municipalities to finance new projects will be included in the approved project costs eligible for reimbursement.

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax: An excise is imposed on the registration of motor vehicles (subject to exemptions) at a rate of \$25 per \$1,000 of valuation. The excise is collected by and for the benefit of the municipality in which the motor vehicle is customarily kept. Valuations are determined by a statutory formula based on manufacturers' list price and year of manufacture. Bills not paid when due bear interest at 12 percent per annum. Provision is also made to decline renewal of registration and owner's operating license until excise taxes are paid. The following table presents a five-year history of motor vehicle excise tax receipts of the Town:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Receipts</u>
2007	\$1,948,902
2006	1,987,634
2005	2,060,474
2004	1,816,751
2003	1,801,757

Water and Sewer Rates and Services: The Town provides water and sewer services to approximately 65% percent of the Town. The service is fully funded by user charges established to produce sufficient revenue to recover all costs, including debt service and administrative costs. In fiscal 2004, water and sewer were included as enterprise funds.

Annual Audits

The financial statements of the Town of Bellingham are audited annually by R. E. Brown & Co., Certified Public Accountants, of Mendon, Massachusetts. For information regarding the accounting policies of the Town, please refer to the Audited Financial Statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, attached hereto as Appendix A.

The attached report speaks only as of its date, and only to the matters expressly set forth therein. The auditors have not been engaged to review this Official Statement or to perform audit procedures regarding the post-audit period, nor have the auditors been requested to give their consent to the inclusion of their report in Appendix A. Except as stated in their report, the auditors have not been engaged to verify the financial information set out in Appendix A and are not passing upon and do not assume responsibility for the sufficiency, accuracy or completeness of the financial information presented in that appendix.

Financial Statements

Set forth on the following pages are Governmental Funds Balance Sheets for fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005, and Statements of Revenues and Expenditures for fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2005, and a Comparative Statement of Revenues and Expenditures (General Fund) for fiscal years 2003 and 2004. Said statements were extracted from the audited financial statements of the Town.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2007 (1)

	General	Stabilization	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Totals Governmental Funds
ASSETS:				
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 7,975,378	\$ 1,509,470	\$ 4,283,104	\$ 13,767,952
Investments	-	-	1,269,956	1,269,956
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:				
Real estate and personal property taxes	584,613	-	-	584,613
Tax liens	625,352	-	-	625,352
Motor vehicle excise taxes	214,999	-	-	214,999
User fees	-	-	88,423	88,423
Departmental and other	26,306	-	132,238	158,544
Intergovernmental	35,229,698	-	29,394	35,259,092
Special assessments	122,313	-	390,541	512,854
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$44,778,659</u>	<u>\$1,509,470</u>	<u>\$6,193,656</u>	<u>\$52,481,785</u>
LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES:				
LIABILITIES:				
Accounts Payable	\$ 738,822	\$ -	\$ 122,251	\$ 861,073
Accrued Liabilities	759,966	-	128,962	888,928
Other Liabilities	1,300,000	-	-	1,300,000
Deferred Revenue	36,803,281	-	611,202	37,414,483
Notes Payable	-	-	900,000	900,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>39,602,069</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,762,415</u>	<u>41,364,484</u>
Fund Balances:				
Fund Balances:				
Reserved for:				
Encumbrances and continued appropriations	1,468,285	-	-	1,468,285
Unreserved:				
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures	1,391,425	300,000	-	1,691,425
Undesignated, reported in:				
General fund	2,316,880	-	-	2,316,880
Special revenue funds	-	1,209,470	4,970,965	6,180,435
Capital projects funds	-	-	(580,992)	(580,992)
Permanent funds	-	-	33,268	33,268
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>5,176,590</u>	<u>1,509,470</u>	<u>4,423,241</u>	<u>11,109,301</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 44,778,659</u>	<u>\$ 1,509,470</u>	<u>\$ 6,193,656</u>	<u>\$52,481,785</u>

(1) Extracted from the audited financial statements of the Town.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2006 (1)

	General	Stabilization	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Totals Governmental Funds
ASSETS:				
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 5,822,318	\$ 1,956,248	\$ 4,822,218	\$ 12,600,784
Investments	102,006	-	1,079,710	1,181,716
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:				-
Real estate and personal property taxes	402,879	-	-	402,879
Tax liens	639,124	-	-	639,124
Motor vehicle excise taxes	186,000	-	-	186,000
User fees	-	-	87,416	87,416
Departmental and other	20,575	-	143,753	164,328
Intergovernmental	36,970,844	-	691,032	37,661,876
Special assessments	171,110	-	343,388	514,498
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$44,314,856</u>	<u>\$1,956,248</u>	<u>\$7,167,517</u>	<u>\$53,438,621</u>
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND FUND EQUITY				
LIABILITIES:				
Accounts Payable	\$ 612,427	\$ -	\$ 200,202	\$ 812,629
Accrued Liabilities	659,079	-	-	659,079
Deferred Revenue	38,390,532	-	1,188,067	39,578,599
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>39,662,038</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,388,269</u>	<u>41,050,307</u>
FUND EQUITY:				
Fund Balances:				
Reserved for:				
Encumbrances and continued appropriations	1,451,540	-	-	1,451,540
Unreserved:				
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures	1,056,105	1,000,000	-	2,056,105
Undesignated, reported in:				-
General fund	2,145,173	-	-	2,145,173
Special revenue funds	-	956,248	4,999,116	5,955,364
Capital projects funds	-	-	749,160	749,160
Permanent funds	-	-	30,972	30,972
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>4,652,818</u>	<u>1,956,248</u>	<u>5,779,248</u>	<u>12,388,314</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 44,314,856</u>	<u>\$ 1,956,248</u>	<u>\$ 7,167,517</u>	<u>\$53,438,621</u>

(1) Extracted from the audited financial statements of the Town.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2005 (1)

	General	Stabilization	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
ASSETS:				
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 4,343,003	\$ 1,836,015	\$ 6,666,234	\$ 12,845,252
Investments	2,624,050		1,046,592	3,670,642
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:				-
Real estate and personal property taxes	373,623		-	373,623
Tax liens	642,278		-	642,278
Motor vehicle excise taxes	194,487		-	194,487
User fees	-		66,392	66,392
Departmental and other	12,927		185,314	198,241
Intergovernmental	39,401,163		744,638	40,145,801
Special assessments	255,717		208,314	464,031
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$47,847,248</u>	<u>\$1,836,015</u>	<u>\$8,917,484</u>	<u>\$58,600,747</u>
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND FUND EQUITY				
LIABILITIES:				
Warrants payable	\$ 1,009,904	\$ -	\$ 580,590	\$ 1,590,494
Accrued liabilities	564,274	-	-	564,274
Deferred revenue	40,880,196	-	1,150,203	42,030,399
Notes Payable	-	-	300,000	300,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>42,454,374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,730,793</u>	<u>44,185,167</u>
FUND EQUITY:				
Fund Balances:				
Reserved for:				
Encumbrances and continued appropriations	2,120,111	-	9	2,120,120
Unreserved:				
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures	1,150,385	-	-	1,150,385
Undesignated, reported in:				-
General fund	2,122,378	-	-	2,122,378
Special revenue funds	-	1,836,015	4,339,205	6,175,220
Capital projects funds	-	-	2,520,975	2,520,975
Permanent funds	-	-	26,509	26,509
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>5,392,874</u>	<u>1,836,015</u>	<u>6,886,698</u>	<u>14,115,587</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 47,847,248</u>	<u>\$ 1,836,015</u>	<u>\$ 8,917,484</u>	<u>\$58,600,747</u>

(1) Extracted from the audited financial statements of the Town.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007 (1)

	General	Stabiliation	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Real Estate and Peersonal Property Taxes				
Net of Tax Refunds	\$ 26,026,975	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,026,975
Motor Vehicle and Other Excise Taxes	1,948,902	-	-	1,948,902
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	134,794	-	-	134,794
Intergovernmental	16,378,615	-	2,664,307	19,042,922
Charges for Services	-	-	2,242,087	2,242,087
Charges for Services - Sewer	-	-	585,507	585,507
Investment Income	558,084	54,050	115,590	727,724
Contributions and Donations	-	-	244,101	244,101
Departmental	1,625,894	-	529,188	2,155,082
Total Revenues	<u>46,673,264</u>	<u>54,050</u>	<u>6,380,780</u>	<u>53,108,094</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General Government	2,457,226	-	782,271	3,239,497
Public Safety	4,227,450	-	145,620	4,373,070
Education	21,791,971	-	3,209,713	25,001,684
Public Works	1,995,089	-	2,155,195	4,150,284
Sewer	-	-	576,013	576,013
Human Services	250,274	-	158,910	409,184
Culture and Recreation	662,840	-	119,531	782,371
Employee Benefits	10,092,339	-	23,600	10,115,939
State and County Assessments	669,369	-	-	669,369
Debt Service				
Principal	2,789,183	-	-	2,789,183
Interest	2,121,250	-	-	2,121,250
Total Expenditures	<u>47,056,991</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,170,853</u>	<u>54,227,844</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(383,727)	54,050	(790,073)	(1,119,750)
Other Financing Sources Uses				
Operating Transfers In	1,949,034	499,172	306,100	2,754,306
Operating Transfers out	(1,041,535)	(1,000,000)	(864,034)	(2,905,569)
Total Other financing Sources (Uses)	<u>907,499</u>	<u>(500,828)</u>	<u>(557,934)</u>	<u>(151,263)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>523,772</u>	<u>(446,778)</u>	<u>(1,348,007)</u>	<u>(1,271,013)</u>
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>4,652,818</u>	<u>1,956,248</u>	<u>5,779,248</u>	<u>12,388,314</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 5,176,590</u>	<u>\$ 1,509,470</u>	<u>\$ 4,431,241</u>	<u>\$ 11,117,301</u>

(1) Extracted from the Town's audited financial statements.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006 (1)

	General	Stabiliation	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Real Estate and Peersonal Property Taxes				
Net of Tax Refunds	\$ 24,558,779	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,558,779
Motor Vehicle and Other Excise Taxes	1,987,634	-	-	1,987,634
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	174,661	-	-	174,661
Intergovernmental	15,295,673	-	2,297,646	17,593,319
Charges for Services	-	-	2,307,595	2,307,595
Charges for Services - Sewer	-	-	573,195	573,195
Investment Income	480,533	70,233	58,481	609,247
Contributiions and Donations	-	-	363,202	363,202
Departmental	1,249,003	-	239,586	1,488,589
Total Revenues	<u>43,746,283</u>	<u>70,233</u>	<u>5,839,705</u>	<u>49,656,221</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General Government	2,306,456	-	1,877,408	4,183,864
Public Safety	4,366,498	-	91,982	4,458,480
Education	20,797,308	-	3,449,063	24,246,371
Public Works	1,936,894	-	1,111,606	3,048,500
Sewer	-	-	853,852	853,852
Human Services	241,216	-	110,696	351,912
Culture and Recreation	552,427	-	72,883	625,310
Employee Benefits	8,031,316	-	-	8,031,316
State and County Assessments	644,627	-	-	644,627
Debt Service				-
Principal	2,739,298	-	-	2,739,298
Interest	2,265,375	-	-	2,265,375
Total Expenditures	<u>43,881,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,567,490</u>	<u>51,448,905</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(135,132)	70,233	(1,727,785)	(1,792,684)
Other Financing Sources Uses				
Proceeds from Bonds and Notes	-	-	300,000	300,000
Operating Transfers In	250,117	125,000	410,461	785,578
Operating Transfers out	(855,041)	(75,000)	(90,117)	(1,020,158)
Total Other financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(604,924)</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>620,344</u>	<u>65,420</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(740,056)</u>	<u>120,233</u>	<u>(1,107,441)</u>	<u>(1,727,264)</u>
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	5,392,874	1,836,015	6,886,689	14,115,578
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 4,652,818</u>	<u>\$ 1,956,248</u>	<u>\$ 5,779,248</u>	<u>\$ 12,388,914</u>

(1) Extracted from the Town's audited financial statements.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005 (1)

	General	Stabilization	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes				
Net of Tax Refunds	\$ 23,461,530	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,461,530
Motor Vehicle and Other Excise Taxes	2,019,624	-	-	2,019,624
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	127,987	-	-	127,987
Intergovernmental	14,582,531	-	2,475,139	17,057,670
Charges for Services	-	-	2,588,993	2,588,993
Charges for Services - Sewer	-	-	543,715	543,715
Investment Income	217,496	45,092	31,730	294,318
Contributions and Donations	-	-	343,793	343,793
Departmental	1,852,324	-	332,278	2,184,602
Total Revenues	<u>42,261,492</u>	<u>45,092</u>	<u>6,315,648</u>	<u>48,622,232</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General Government	2,564,529	-	2,342,788	4,907,317
Public Safety	4,171,880	-	176,800	4,348,680
Education	20,003,031	-	3,251,978	23,255,009
Public Works	2,225,136	-	602,143	2,827,279
Sewer	-	-	505,164	505,164
Human Services	238,103	-	146,383	384,486
Culture and Recreation	539,319	-	77,351	616,670
Employee Benefits	7,345,605	-	-	7,345,605
State and County Assessments	573,829	-	-	573,829
Debt Service				-
Principal	2,609,953	-	-	2,609,953
Interest	2,238,764	-	-	2,238,764
Total Expenditures	<u>42,510,149</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,102,607</u>	<u>49,612,756</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(248,657)	45,092	(786,959)	(990,524)
Other Financing Sources Uses	-	-		
Proceeds from Bonds and Notes			2,438,000	2,438,000
Operating Transfers In	1,255,276	350,000	478,136	2,083,412
Operating Transfers out	(1,247,511)	(600,000)	(570,276)	(2,417,787)
Total Other financing Sources (Uses)	<u>7,765</u>	<u>(250,000)</u>	<u>2,345,860</u>	<u>2,103,625</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(240,862)	(204,908)	1,558,903	1,113,133
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	5,633,766	2,040,923	5,327,786	13,002,475
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 5,392,874</u>	<u>\$ 1,836,015</u>	<u>\$ 6,886,689</u>	<u>\$ 14,115,578</u>

(1) Extracted from the Town's audited financial statements.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY
GENERAL FUND

	For Fiscal Years Ended June 30 (1)	
	2004	2003
REVENUES:		
Property Taxes	\$ 22,355,133	\$ 19,837,284
Intergovernmental - State	13,808,959	12,993,655
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	1,816,751	1,801,757
Investment Income	104,262	150,031
Water and Sewer	-	-
Sewer Betterments	-	-
Penalties and Interest	155,447	149,130
Trash Fees	-	-
Departmental	1,241,877	1,270,263
Other	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	39,482,429	36,202,120
EXPENDITURES:		
General Government	2,142,454	2,138,133
Public Safety	3,995,019	3,838,088
Education	19,385,681	18,494,137
Public Works	1,932,393	2,151,952
Water and Sewer	-	-
Human Services	256,679	247,386
Culture and Recreation	509,954	554,293
Debt Service - Refunding	-	-
Debt and Interest	5,283,156	5,600,965
Employee Benefits	5,246,962	3,422,469
State and County Assessments	585,331	195,220
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	39,337,629	36,642,643
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		
Proceeds of Refunding Debt	-	-
Proceeds from Capital Lease Obligation	-	-
Payment to Refund Debt Escrow Agent	-	-
Operating Transfers In	430,770	66,900
Operating Transfers Out	(512,329)	(729,204)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(81,559)	(662,304)
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		
OVER EXPENDITURES & OTHER		
USES	144,800	(440,523)
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of Year	5,570,525	6,673,352
FUND BALANCE - End of Year	\$ 5,633,766	\$ 5,570,525

(1) Extracted from Audited Financial Statements.

Undesignated General Fund Balances and Free Cash

Under Massachusetts law an amount known as "free cash" is certified as of the beginning of each fiscal year by the State Bureau of Accounts and this, together with certain subsequent tax receipts, is used as the basis for subsequent appropriations from available funds, which are not required to be included in the annual tax levy. Subject to certain adjustments, free cash is surplus revenue less uncollected and overdue property taxes from prior years.

The following table sets forth the undesignated general fund balances and certified free cash of the Town for the past five fiscal years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Undesignated General Fund Balance as of June 30 (1)</u>	<u>Certified Free Cash as of July 1 (2)</u>
2007	\$2,316,880	\$1,735,054
2006	2,145,173	1,286,512
2005	2,122,378	1,333,490
2004	2,423,342	1,713,563
2003	2,061,097	1,155,082

(1) Source: Audited Financial Statements.

(2) Certified by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue. Subject to certain adjustments, free cash is surplus revenue less uncollected and overdue property taxes from prior years.

Stabilization Fund

In fiscal 1994, the Town voted to create and maintain a stabilization fund which is accounted for in the Trust Funds. The Stabilization Fund plus interest income may be appropriated at an annual or special town meeting for any municipal purpose. As of June 30, 2005, the balance in the Stabilization Fund was \$1,836,015. The balance on June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007 was \$1,956,248 and \$1,509,470, respectively.

Additional Reserve Funds

The Town maintains several additional reserve funds. The Tax Stabilization Fund, which had a balance of \$1,018,304 at June 30, 2006 and was \$1,300,000 at June 30, 2007, was created to mitigate the impact of the decommissioning of the electric generating plants which is expected in 20 to 30 years. The Capital Investment Fund, which had a balance of \$443,428 at June 30, 2006 and was \$442,000 at June 30, 2007, was created to fund future capital projects. The Town also maintains a Compensated Absences Fund which had a balance of \$112,772 at June 30, 2006 and \$142,000 at June 30, 2007 and a Retirement Reserve Fund which had a balance of \$259,459 at June 30, 2006 and \$294,000 at June 30, 2007.

Investment of Town Funds

Investments of funds of cities and towns, except for trust funds, are generally restricted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 55. That statute permits investments of available revenue funds and bond and note proceeds in term deposits and certificates of deposits of banks and trust companies, in obligations issued or unconditionally guaranteed by the federal government or an agency thereof with a maturity of not more than one year, in repurchase agreements with a maturity of not more than 90 days secured by federal or federal agency securities, in participation units in the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust ("MMDT"), or in shares in SEC-registered money market funds with the highest possible rating from at least one nationally recognized rating organization.

The MMDT is an investment pool created by the Commonwealth under the supervision of the State Treasurer's office. According to the State Treasurer, the Trust's investment policy is designed to maintain an average weighted maturity of 90 days or less and is limited to high-quality, readily marketable fixed income instruments, including U.S. government obligations and highly rated corporate securities with maturities of one year or less.

Trust funds, unless otherwise provided by the donor, may be invested in accordance with Section 54 of Chapter 44, which permits a broader range of investments than Section 55, including any bonds or notes that are legal investments for savings banks in the Commonwealth. The restrictions imposed by Sections 54 and 55 do not apply to city and town retirement systems. A breakdown of such investments may be obtained from the Town Treasurer.

The Town has a written investment policy that has been presented to and adopted by the Board of Selectmen at a public meeting.

INDEBTEDNESS

Authorization of General Obligation Bonds and Notes

Bonds and notes are generally authorized on behalf of a town by a two-thirds vote of the town meeting, subject to a referendum vote if a petition therefore is timely filed. Borrowings for certain purposes require state administrative approval. Temporary loans in anticipation of current revenues and certain state and county reimbursements are generally authorized by majority vote, but provision is made for temporary loans in anticipation of current revenues and federal grants and for other purposes in certain circumstances without town meeting authorization.

The general debt limit of the Town consists of a normal debt limit and a double debt limit. The normal debt limit is 5 percent of the valuation of taxable property as last equalized by the State Department of Revenue. The Town can authorize debt up to this amount without state approval. It can authorize debt up to twice this amount (the double debt limit) with the approval of the State's Municipal Finance Oversight Board.

There are many categories of general obligation debt which are exempt from and do not count against either the normal debt limit or the double debt limit. Among others, these exempt categories include temporary loans in anticipation of current revenues, temporary loans in anticipation of grants and reimbursements, certain school bonds, sewer bonds and solid waste disposal facility bonds, and subject to special debt limits, bonds for water (limited to 10 percent of equalized valuation), housing, urban renewal and economic development (subject to various debt limits) and electric and gas (subject to a separate limit equal to the normal debt limit, including the same doubling provision). Industrial revenue bonds, electric revenue bonds and water pollution abatement revenue bonds are not subject to these debt limits. The normal debt limit and the special debt limit for water bonds apply at the time debt is authorized. The other special debt limits generally apply at the time the debt is incurred.

Types of Obligations

Debt Limits

General Obligations. Massachusetts cities and towns are authorized to issue general obligation indebtedness of these types:

Serial Bonds and Notes. These are generally required to be payable in equal or diminishing annual principal amounts beginning no later than the end of the next fiscal year commencing after the date of issue and ending within the terms permitted by law. Level debt service is permitted for bonds or notes issued for certain purposes, including self-supporting enterprise purposes, certain state aided school projects, certain community preservation and open space projects, as well as for those projects for which debt service has been exempted from property tax limitations. The principal amounts of certain economic development bonds supported by tax increment financing may be payable in equal, diminishing or increasing amounts beginning within 5 years after the date of issue. The maximum terms of serial bonds and notes vary from one year to 40 years, depending on the purpose of the issue. Most of the purposes are capital projects. Bonds or notes may be made callable and redeemed prior to their maturity, and a redemption premium may be paid. Refunding bonds or notes may be issued subject to the maximum term measured from the date of the original bonds or notes.

Serial bonds may be issued as "qualified bonds" with the approval the State's Municipal Finance Oversight Board consisting of the Attorney General, the State Treasurer, the State Auditor, and the Director of Accounts, subject to such conditions and limitations (including restrictions on future indebtedness) as may be required by the board. Qualified bonds may mature in not less than 10 nor more than 30 years from their dates and are not subject to the amortization requirements described above. The State Treasurer is required to pay the debt service on qualified bonds and thereafter to withhold the amount of the debt service from state aid or other state payments. Administrative costs and any loss of interest income to the State are to be assessed upon the city or town.

Bond Anticipation Notes. These generally must mature within two years of their original dates of issuance, but may be refunded from time to time for a period not to exceed five years from their original dates of issuance, provided that for each year that the notes are refunded beyond the second year they must be paid in part from revenue funds in an amount at least equal to the minimum annual payment that would have been required if the bonds had been issued at the end of the second year. For certain school projects, however, notes may be refunded from time to time for a period not to exceed seven years without having to pay any portion of the principal of the notes from revenue funds. The maximum term of bonds issued to refund bond anticipation notes (except for certain school projects) is measured from the date of the original issue of the notes.

Revenue Anticipation Notes. These are issued to meet current expenses in anticipation of taxes and other revenues. They must mature within one year but, if payable in less than one year, may be refunded from time to time up to one year from the original date of issue.

Grant Anticipation Notes. These are issued for temporary financing in anticipation of federal grants and state and county reimbursements. They must generally mature within two years, but may be refunded from time to time as long as the municipality remains entitled to the grant or reimbursement.

Revenue Bonds. Cities and towns may issue revenue bonds for solid waste disposal facilities and for projects financed under the Commonwealth's Water Pollution Abatement or Drinking Water Revolving Loan Programs and for certain economic development projects supported by the increment financings. In addition, cities and towns having electric departments may issue electric revenue bonds, and notes in anticipation of such bonds, subject to the approval of the State Department of Telecommunications and Energy.

Trend in Revenue Anticipation Note Borrowing

The Town of Bellingham has not borrowed against current revenue since fiscal 1994 and does not anticipate the need to do so in fiscal 2007.

DIRECT DEBT SUMMARY (1) AS OF JUNE 30, 2007, INCLUDING SUBSEQUENT ISSUES

Long Term Indebtedness (2)

Within the General Debt Limit:		
Schools	\$ 24,251,800	
Other Building	1,730,000	
Street Sidewalks & Parking	1,125,000	
Departmental Equipment	115,000	
Land Acquisition	1,010,000	
Architectural & Engineering Services	478,832	
Total Within the General Debt Limit		\$ 28,710,632
Outside the General Debt Limit:		
Sewers	\$ 3,133,384	
Schools	10,055,000	
Water	2,204,816	
Other	1,081,780	
Total Outside the General Debt Limit		16,474,980
Short Term Indebtedness		
Bond Anticipation Notes Outstanding (3)	\$ 2,265,000	
This Issue (3)	1,670,000	
Total Current Indebtedness		<u>\$ 49,120,612</u>

(1) Principal amount only. Excludes lease and installment purchase obligations, overlapping debt and unfunded pension liability.

(2) Based on the Town's equalized valuation of \$2,509,075,900 effective January 1, 2006, its normal general debt limit is \$125,453,795 and its double general debt limit is \$250,907,590. (See "Debt Limits," above.)

(3) Payable June 26, 2008.

Key Debt Ratios

	As of June 30				
	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Amount (1)	\$ 45,185,612	\$ 48,379,667	\$ 51,230,565	\$ 49,109,411	\$ 52,320,550
Per Capita (2)	\$ 2,950.61	\$ 3,065.11	\$ 3,245.73	\$ 3,115.68	\$ 3,338.47
Percent of Assessed Valuation (3)	1.78%	2.15%	2.51%	2.56%	3.39%
Percent of Equalized Valuation (4)	1.80%	2.36%	2.50%	3.07%	3.27%
Per Capita as a Percent of Personal Income Per Capita	11.78%	12.24%	12.96%	12.44%	13.33%

(1) Excludes temporary loans, lease purchase obligations, overlapping debt and unfunded pension liability.

(2) Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census - Latest applicable actuals or estimates.

(3) Source: Board of Assessors - Assessed valuation as of the prior January 1.

(4) Source: Massachusetts Department of Revenue. (Equalized valuation in effect for that fiscal year.)

Annual Debt Service as of June 30, 2007 (1)

Fiscal Year	Outstanding(2)		Less State School Construction Aid	Less MWPAT Subsidies	Net Debt Service	Cumulative % Principal Retired
	Principal	Interest				
2008	\$ 3,235,233	\$ 2,095,432	\$ (2,430,318)	\$ (41,006)	\$ 2,859,341	7.2 %
2009	3,266,853	1,963,430	(2,430,318)	(38,628)	2,761,338	14.4
2010	3,338,935	1,824,609	(2,430,318)	(36,112)	2,697,114	21.8
2011	3,400,118	1,681,507	(2,430,318)	(33,486)	2,617,821	29.3
2012	3,265,630	1,526,466	(2,430,318)	(10,750)	2,351,028	36.5
2013	2,955,334	1,385,031	(2,430,318)	(9,680)	1,900,367	43.1
2014	2,940,582	1,250,017	(2,430,318)	(8,591)	1,751,690	49.6
2015	3,030,582	1,109,172	(2,430,318)	(7,484)	1,701,953	56.3
2016	2,710,393	964,740	(2,430,318)	(6,407)	1,238,407	62.3
2017	2,830,393	833,158	(2,430,318)	(5,335)	1,227,897	68.5
2018	2,960,393	694,737	(2,430,318)	(4,237)	1,220,575	75.1
2019	3,095,393	548,790	(2,430,318)	(3,140)	1,210,725	82.0
2020	3,235,393	395,966	(2,430,318)	(2,056)	1,198,985	89.1
2021	3,369,972	236,370	(2,430,318)	(1,270)	1,174,754	96.6
2022	1,060,204	69,735	(516,059)	(765)	613,115	98.9
2023	165,204	18,525	-	(255)	183,474	99.3
2024	155,000	12,250	-	-	167,250	99.6
2025	155,000	6,160	-	-	161,160	100.0
2026	15,000	-	-	-	15,000	100.0
Total	\$ 45,185,612	\$ 16,616,094	\$ (34,540,511)	\$ (209,200)	\$ 27,051,996	

(1) Excludes short-term debt, lease and installment purchase obligations, overlapping debt and unfunded pension liability.

(2) As of June 30, 2007, principal totaling \$3,715,164 and interest totaling \$474,425 are exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 1/2.

Authorized Unissued Debt and Prospective Financing

As of November 15, 2007, the Town had \$4,455,000 of authorized unissued debt, as follows:

Purpose	Date Authorized	Amount
Remediated Sewers	05/14/95	\$ 50,000
Sewer Construction Design	05/25/05	500,000
Pulaski Boulevard Water Main	05/25/05	800,000
Water Mains	10/19/05	835,000
Land Acquisition	04/24/06	400,000
Capital Improvements	10/11/06	400,000
Roadway Improvements	10/11/06	370,000
Grove St. Sandpipe	05/23/07	900,000
Septic	05/23/07	200,000
Total		<u>\$ 4,455,000</u>

Overlapping Debt (1)

The following are the principal entities whose indebtedness is chargeable to or payable from taxation of property within the Town of Bellingham:

	Outstanding Bonded Debt As of 6/30/07	Bellingham's 2008 Total Assessment and Estimated Share	
		\$	%
Norfolk County (2)	\$1,200,000	\$99,746	2.08%
Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational-Technical School District (3)	\$7,310,000	\$725,766	4.90%

- (1) Dollar assessment based upon total net operating expenses, inclusive of debt service where applicable.
- (2) Source: County Treasurer's Office. Debt is as of 6/30/07. County expenses including debt service on county bonds are assessed upon the cities and towns within the county in proportion to their taxable valuation as last equalized by the State Commissioner of Revenue. Legislation enacted in 1997 abolished the county governments of Franklin and Middlesex Counties as of July 1, 1997, with their assets, functions, debts and other obligations being assumed by the Commonwealth. The abolishment of the Middlesex County government was in part in response to a default by the county in the payment of general obligation notes of the county. The legislation also abolished the county governments of Hampden and Worcester Counties as of July 1, 1998. Legislation enacted in 1998 abolished the county governments of Hampshire, Essex and Berkshire Counties as of January 1, 1999, July 1, 1999 and July 1, 2000, respectively. The legislation requires the state secretary for administration and finance to establish a plan to recover the Commonwealth's expenditures for the liabilities and other debts assumed and paid by the Commonwealth on behalf of an abolished county. Unless these provisions are changed by further legislation, the state treasurer shall assess upon each city and town within the jurisdiction of an abolished county an amount not exceeding or equal to the county tax paid by each such city and town for the fiscal year immediately prior to the abolishment of the county until such expenditures by the Commonwealth are recovered. It is possible that similar legislation will be sought to provide for the abolishment of county government in all the remaining counties.
- (3) Source: District Treasurer's Office. The operating expenses of regional school districts, including debt service when applicable, are apportioned among the member municipalities in accordance with the agreements establishing the districts, subject to the provisions of the Education Reform Act of 1993. The outstanding bonded debt of the District consists of two bond issues for which the Town is assessed at different rates, as shown above. The District has authorized \$36,000,000 Bonds for adding to and equipping the District High School.

Contractual Obligations

Obligations to make payments on account of municipal contracts are generally limited to currently available appropriations. A Massachusetts city or town has general statutory authority to enter into contracts for the exercise of any of its corporate powers for any period of time deemed to serve its best interests, but generally only when funds are available for the first fiscal year; obligations for succeeding fiscal years generally will be expressly subject to availability and appropriations of funds. Specific authority exists in relatively few cases for long-term contractual obligations that are not subject to annual appropriations, including contracts for refuse disposal (20 year maximum term). Municipalities may also enter into long-term contracts in aid of housing and renewal projects. There is implied authority to make other long-term contracts required to carry out authorized municipal functions, such as contracts to purchase water from private water companies.

Pursuant to the Home Rule Amendment to the Massachusetts Constitution, cities and towns may also be empowered to make other contracts and leases.

The Town presently has the following material contracts in effect:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Nature of Service</u>	<u>Contract Expires</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Cost Fiscal 2008</u>
B.F.I.	Solid Waste Transfer	2015	\$710,000
Semass	Solid Waste Disposal	2010	675,000
Charles River Pollution Control District	Wastewater Treatment	2018	155,000
Woonsocket Wastewater	Wastewater Treatment	2018	175,000

RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Town employees, other than school teachers, are members of the Norfolk County Retirement system. The Town meets its share of the cost on a pay-as-you-go basis by contributing annually the amount determined by the State. Such amount is a legal obligation of the Town and is required to be included in its annual tax levy.

The retirement system covers substantially all municipal employees except school teachers, whose pensions are paid by the State. The employee contributions are 5 percent of regular compensation for employees who entered service before January 1, 1975, 7 percent for those who entered thereafter and before January 1, 1984 and 8 percent for those who entered on or after that date. The amount required to pay the pensions over and above employee contributions and investment income is provided on a pay-as-you-go basis by the city or town in the case of a city or town system and by the Commonwealth in the case of the teachers' system.

The following table sets forth the annual contributions of the Town to the retirement system for the last five fiscal years, as well as an estimate for the current fiscal year:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Contributory</u>
2008 (budgeted)	\$1,475,000
2007	1,365,000
2006	1,233,359
2005	1,041,020
2004	896,633
2003	836,913

Source: Chief Financial Officer.

Under recent legislation, cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) for each local retirement system would be granted and funded only by the local system and only if it has established a funding schedule. Those statutory provisions are subject to acceptance by the local retirement board and approval by the local legislative body, which acceptance may not be revoked. The Norfolk County Retirement System has voted to accept this legislation.

Other Post-Employment Benefits

In addition to pension benefits, cities and towns may provide retired employees with health care and life insurance benefits. The portion of the cost of such benefits paid by cities or towns is generally provided on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") recently promulgated its Statement Nos. 43 and 45, which will for the first time require public sector entities to report the future costs of these non-pension, post-employment benefits in their financial statements. These new accounting standards do not require pre-funding such benefits, but the basis applied by the standards for measurement of costs and liabilities for these benefits is conservative if they continue to be funded on a pay-as-you-go basis and will result in larger yearly cost and liability accruals than if such benefits were pre-funded in a trust fund in the same manner as traditional pension benefits. Although cities and towns that choose to self-insure all or a portion of the cost of the health care benefits they provide to employees and retirees may establish a trust fund for the purpose of paying claims, Massachusetts General Laws do not currently provide cities and towns with general legal authority to establish a trust fund for the purpose of pre-funding this liability in the same manner as traditional pension benefits.

The Town is required to implement the new GASB reporting requirements for other post-employment benefits beginning in fiscal year 2008. The Town performed an actuarial valuation of its non-pension, post-employment benefit liability. As of July 1, 2007, the actuarial liability for benefits was \$26,373,114.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

City and town employees (other than managerial and confidential employees) are entitled to join unions and to bargain collectively on questions of wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment. Provisions for compulsory arbitration for labor disputes involving firefighters and police officers were repealed by the Proposition 2 1/2 legislation.

The Town employs approximately 778 persons on a full or part-time basis, including those in the School Department. Approximately 57 percent belong to unions or other collective bargaining groups as shown below:

<u>Employee Category</u>	<u>Represented by</u>	<u>Number of Employees</u>	<u>Contract Expires</u>
Firefighters	International Association of Firefighters (Local 2071)	21	6/30/08
Public Works	AFSCME Council 93, Local 747	19	6/30/08
Town Hall	AFSCME Council 93, Local 747	30	6/30/08
Police Officers	Bellingham Police Federation	27	6/30/06 (1)
Town Department Heads	Bellingham Professional Association	11	6/30/08
School Department:			
Teachers	Bellingham Teachers' Association	223	6/30/08
Nurses	AFSCME, Local 747	6	6/30/08
Clerks, Custodians, Cafeteria	AFSCME, Local 747	62	6/30/08
Teachers Aides	AFSCME, Local 747	42	6/30/08
	Total	441	

(1) In negotiation.

LITIGATION

There are various suits pending in courts within the State in which the Town is a defendant. In the opinion of Town Management, no litigation is pending, or to its knowledge, threatened, which is likely to result, either individually or in the aggregate, in final judgments against the Town materially affecting its financial position.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
/s/ Marilyn Mathieu, Chief Financial Officer

March 26, 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts, as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flow thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 22, 2008, on our consideration of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 9, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it

R. E. Brown & Company

January 22, 2008

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Bellingham (the Town), we offer readers of the Town's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in this report.

Overview of the Financial Statements:

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements consist of three components:

1. Government-wide financial statements
2. Fund financial statements
3. Notes to the basic financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements - The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of the Town's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of the cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses reported in this statement for some items will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions and activities of the Town that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions and activities that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees or charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Town include the broad functions of general government, public safety, education, public works, sewer, human services, culture and recreation, pension benefits, employee benefits, interest and state and county charges. The business type activities include costs relating to water and sanitation activities.

Fund Financial Statements - A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds - *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on the *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town of Bellingham adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

Proprietary Funds - *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town has two enterprise funds:

- *Water Enterprise Fund* accounts for the water activity of the Town.
- *Trash (Sanitation) Enterprise Fund* accounts for the trash collection and disposal activities of the Town.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* included in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of the funds are *not* available to support the Town's own functions and activities. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Private-purpose trust funds and agency funds are each reported and combined into a single, aggregate presentation in the fiduciary fund financial statements under the captions "private purpose trust funds" and "agency funds", respectively.

Notes to the basic financial statements - The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Analysis:

The chart on the following page summarizes key financial components of the Town's Statement of Net Assets.

Net assets of \$33.6 million reflect the Town's investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery and equipment) less any related debt used to acquire those assets that remain outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; therefore, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets themselves, cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. Total net assets increased from \$82.8 to \$83.7 million from the prior fiscal year, an increase of \$881,056. Of this change in net assets, an increase of \$790,785 was attributable to governmental activities and an increase of \$90,271 was attributable to business-type activities.

Additionally, the governmental activities net assets required an adjustment to the beginning capital assets due to the compliance with the infrastructure requirements of GASB 34. This compliance required an adjustment to the beginning capital assets of \$4,340,237. A decrease in net assets means that the change in total liabilities exceeded the change in total assets. An increase in net assets means that the change in total assets exceeded the change in total liabilities.

The Town increased its total liabilities by \$759,740 thousand over the previous fiscal year. Correspondingly, the Town's total assets increased by \$1.6 million over the previous year.

An additional portion of the Town's net assets totaling \$5.0 million represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The restricted net assets relate to government activities.

Town of Bellingham - Condensed Statement of Net Assets

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	FY 2007	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2006
Assets:						
Current assets	\$ 22,000,214	\$ 19,987,774	\$ 1,366,404	\$ 1,644,696	\$ 23,366,618	\$ 21,632,470
Noncurrent assets (excluding capital)	33,129,684	34,883,913	-	-	33,129,684	34,883,913
Capital assets	67,226,336	66,978,197	13,459,831	12,047,093	80,686,167	79,025,290
Total assets	<u>122,356,234</u>	<u>121,849,884</u>	<u>14,826,235</u>	<u>13,691,789</u>	<u>137,182,469</u>	<u>135,541,673</u>
Liabilities:						
Current liabilities (excluding debt)	4,569,112	2,919,073	260,048	178,601	4,829,160	3,097,674
Noncurrent liabilities (excluding debt)	1,130,609	1,175,900	82,000	79,400	1,212,609	1,255,300
Current debt	3,745,049	2,789,184	1,755,184	404,872	5,500,233	3,194,056
Noncurrent debt	39,850,747	42,695,795	2,099,632	2,489,816	41,950,379	45,185,611
Total liabilities	<u>49,295,517</u>	<u>49,579,952</u>	<u>4,196,864</u>	<u>3,152,689</u>	<u>53,492,381</u>	<u>52,732,641</u>
Net Assets:						
Capital assets net of related debt	23,949,548	22,242,378	9,605,015	9,273,163	33,554,563	31,515,541
Restricted	5,012,233	5,030,088	-	-	5,012,233	5,030,088
Unrestricted	44,098,936	44,997,466	1,024,356	1,265,937	45,123,292	46,263,403
Total net assets	<u>\$ 73,060,717</u>	<u>\$ 72,269,932</u>	<u>\$ 10,629,371</u>	<u>\$ 10,539,100</u>	<u>\$ 83,690,088</u>	<u>\$ 82,809,032</u>

The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets totaling \$45.1 million – or 54% of total net assets may be used to meet the Town's on-going obligations to its citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities.

There was an increase of \$90,271 in net assets reported in connection with the water and sanitation business-type activities. This \$90,271 change in net assets is attributable to budgeting revenues sufficient to cover current operational costs.

After adjusting beginning net assets by \$4,340,237 in order to comply with the requirements of GASB 34, the governmental activities net assets increased by \$790,785 during the current fiscal year. The Town's total revenues increased by \$4.0 million or 7.8% over the prior fiscal year, which was substantially related to governmental activities. The biggest contributor to the revenue increase was property taxes (\$1.6 million). The Town's total expenses increased by \$2.2 million over the prior fiscal year or 4.1%. The largest contributors to the expense increase were employee benefits (\$0.9 million) and education (\$0.8 million).

Town of Bellingham - Condensed Statement of Activities

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	FY 2007	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2006
Revenues						
<i>Program Revenues:</i>						
Charges for services	\$ 6,111,654	\$ 5,629,677	\$ 2,821,324	\$ 2,919,163	\$ 8,932,978	\$ 8,548,840
Operating grants and contributions	14,183,396	13,214,238	57,232	84,897	14,240,628	13,299,135
Capital grants and contributions	1,356,161	491,455	-	-	1,356,161	491,455
<i>General Revenues:</i>						
Real Estate and personal property taxes	26,195,946	24,585,376	-	-	26,195,946	24,585,376
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes	1,977,901	1,979,146	-	-	1,977,901	1,979,146
Nonrestricted grants and contributions	2,251,155	2,240,569	-	-	2,251,155	2,240,569
Unrestricted investment income	714,734	590,080	-	-	714,734	590,080
Other revenues	319,520	207,316	-	-	319,520	207,316
Total Revenues	<u>53,110,467</u>	<u>48,937,857</u>	<u>2,878,556</u>	<u>3,004,060</u>	<u>55,989,023</u>	<u>51,941,917</u>
Expenses:						
General Government	3,087,914	3,319,846	-	-	3,087,914	3,319,846
Public Safety	4,449,101	4,368,168	-	-	4,449,101	4,368,168
Education	26,633,814	25,845,157	-	-	26,633,814	25,845,157
Public Works	2,289,951	1,590,454	-	-	2,289,951	1,590,454
Sewer	576,013	853,852	-	-	576,013	853,852
Human Services	452,248	394,976	-	-	452,248	394,976
Culture and Recreation	789,923	650,826	-	-	789,923	650,826
Employee Benefits	11,127,548	10,227,305	-	-	11,127,548	10,227,305
State and County Assessments	669,369	644,627	-	-	669,369	644,627
Interest	2,092,538	2,217,958	-	-	2,092,538	2,217,958
Water	-	-	1,742,746	1,670,247	1,742,746	1,670,247
Sanitation	-	-	1,196,802	1,153,782	1,196,802	1,153,782
Total Expenses	<u>52,168,419</u>	<u>50,113,169</u>	<u>2,939,548</u>	<u>2,824,029</u>	<u>55,107,967</u>	<u>52,937,198</u>
Transfers	<u>(151,263)</u>	<u>(234,580)</u>	<u>151,263</u>	<u>234,580</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in Net Assets	<u>790,785</u>	<u>(1,409,892)</u>	<u>90,271</u>	<u>414,611</u>	<u>881,056</u>	<u>(995,281)</u>
Net Assets - beginning	<u>72,269,932</u>	<u>73,679,824</u>	<u>10,539,100</u>	<u>10,124,489</u>	<u>82,809,032</u>	<u>83,804,313</u>
Net Assets - ending	<u>\$ 73,060,717</u>	<u>\$ 72,269,932</u>	<u>\$ 10,629,371</u>	<u>\$ 10,539,100</u>	<u>\$ 83,690,088</u>	<u>\$ 82,809,032</u>

The water and sanitation business-type activities revenues and expenses did not materially change from the previous fiscal year.

Financial Analysis of the Governmental Funds

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds - The focus of the Town's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending liabilities and fund balances of \$52.5 million, a decrease of \$0.9 million in comparison with the prior year. Approximately \$8.0 million of this amount constitutes *undesignated fund balance*, which is available for spending at the Town's discretion. Total fund balance of the governmental funds at June 30, 2007 was \$11.1 million, a decrease of \$1.3 million over the previous fiscal year.

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$3.7 million, while the total fund balance was \$5.2 million. Unreserved fund balance represents 7.9% of total general fund expenditures.

General fund revenues for FY 2007 were \$46.7 million with property taxes (\$26.0 million) and intergovernmental (\$16.4 million) the major components of the Town's revenue sources. General Fund expenditures were \$47.0 million for FY 2007 with education (\$21.8 million), employee benefits (\$10.1 million) and public safety (\$4.2 million) the major components of spending. The fund balance of the general fund balance of the Town increased by \$523,772 or an increase of 11.3%.

The stabilization fund has accumulated a fund balance of \$1.5 million which represents 3.2% of general fund expenditures. These funds can be used for general or capital purposes upon Town Meeting approval. The town has targeted \$0.3 million of stabilization funds to be used for fiscal 2008 budgetary funding. Please refer to **Note 9** for additional information.

General Fund Budget Highlights

There were no changes between the original and final revenue budget of the Town. The Town budgeted \$41.9 million of revenues. There were changes between the original and final expenditure budgets of the Town. The Town budgeted \$45.7 million in expenditures and added \$52,486 in additional expenditures, drawing on transfers and prior year surplus to finance the difference.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets – In conjunction with the operating budget, the Town annually prepared capital budgets for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Town's investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2007, amounts to \$80.6 million, net of accumulated depreciation. The investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, machinery and equipment, vehicles, construction in process, and infrastructure.

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Land	\$ 12,091,807	\$ 3,510,300	\$ 15,602,107
Buildings and Improvements	43,209,499	15,881	43,225,380
Machinery and Equipment	2,660,955	813,255	3,474,210
Vehicles	1,126,027	141,330	1,267,357
Infrastructure	6,490,927	7,010,420	13,501,347
Construction in Progress	1,647,121	1,968,645	3,615,766
Total	<u>\$ 67,226,336</u>	<u>\$ 13,459,831</u>	<u>\$ 80,686,167</u>

Long term debt – Governmental activities outstanding long-term debt as of June 30, 2007, totaled \$42.7 million of which \$33.9 million (79.4%) is for school building construction, subject to an annual reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of 76% of principal and interest for twenty (20) years, and \$3.9 million (9.4%) is for sewer. The governmental activities (business type activities debt is not included) long-term debt consists of the following:

Education (reimbursable)	\$33,890,000	79.40%
Education (non-reimbursable)	416,800	1.00
Sewer	3,983,996	9.40
Public Works	1,625,000	3.80
Culture and Recreation	630,000	1.50
Public Safety	40,000	0.01
General Government	<u>2,110,000</u>	<u>4.89</u>
Total	<u>\$42,695,796</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Economic Factors and Next years Budgets and Rates

The Town's leadership (elected and appointed officials) considered many factors when setting the fiscal 2007 budget and tax rates including the following:

- One of the most significant financial factors was the local aid, including Chapter 70 school assistance, received from the state, which has increased slightly from the FY '03 level due to the state's general economic down cycle and a change in the education reform formula.
- The fiscal 2007 residential tax rate was set at \$9.20 and the commercial/industrial tax rate was set at \$13.32. Residential properties increased an average of 2.8% and commercial/industrial values increased an average of 4.0%. The excess levy capacity for fiscal 2007 was \$16,340.
- The Board of Selectmen voted during their classification hearing to maintain the split tax rate for the various classes of property within the town. On a state wide ranking, the town of Bellingham ranks 228 in the amount of tax dollars paid, with a rank of 1 being the highest bill in the state and 351 being the lowest bill in the state.
- The Board of Selectmen, as Water and Sewer Commissioners voted to increase both water and sewer rates by 5% for all customers. The water increase accomplished the goal of increasing fiscal 2007 ending net assets. The Capital Improvement committee is reviewing various long term capital plans for both the Water and Sewer Enterprise accounts.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all of those with an interest in the Town's finances. Questions concerning any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Chief Financial Officer, Town Hall Annex, 10 Mechanic Street, Bellingham, MA, 02019.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2007

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT		
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
ASSETS			
CURRENT:			
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 16,286,088	\$ 1,051,322	\$ 17,337,410
INVESTMENTS	1,269,956	-	1,269,956
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:			
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	584,613	-	584,613
TAX LIENS	625,352	-	625,352
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	214,999	-	214,999
USER FEES	88,423	315,082	403,505
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	288,521	-	288,521
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	2,491,177	-	2,491,177
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	151,085	-	151,085
NONCURRENT:			
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:			
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	32,767,915	-	32,767,915
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	361,769	-	361,769
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	67,226,336	13,459,831	80,686,167
TOTAL ASSETS	122,356,234	14,826,235	137,182,469
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT:			
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	861,073	183,976	1,045,049
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	888,928	-	888,928
HEALTH CLAIMS PAYABLE	793,138	-	793,138
OTHER LIABILITIES	1,300,000	-	1,300,000
ACCRUED INTEREST	645,473	60,572	706,045
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	3,745,049	1,755,184	5,500,233
LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS	5,000	-	5,000
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	75,500	15,500	91,000
NONCURRENT:			
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	39,850,747	2,099,632	41,950,379
LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS	85,000	-	85,000
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	1,045,609	82,000	1,127,609
TOTAL LIABILITIES	49,295,517	4,196,864	53,492,381
NET ASSETS			
INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF RELATED DEBT	23,949,548	9,605,015	33,554,563
RESTRICTED FOR:			
PERMANENT FUNDS:			
EXPENDABLE	33,268	-	33,268
OTHER PURPOSES	4,978,965	-	4,978,965
UNRESTRICTED	44,098,936	1,024,356	45,123,292
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 73,060,717	\$ 10,629,371	\$ 83,690,088

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	PROGRAM REVENUES				NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE
	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:					
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 3,087,914	\$ 190,652	\$ 221,588	\$ 234,706	\$ (2,440,968)
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,449,101	1,070,896	203,784	-	(3,174,421)
EDUCATION	26,633,814	1,760,762	9,663,537	937,860	(14,271,655)
PUBLIC WORKS	2,289,951	327,537	33,287	140,266	(1,788,861)
SEWER	576,013	889,574	-	27,771	341,332
HUMAN SERVICES	452,248	153,589	115,693	15,558	(167,408)
CULTURE & RECREATION	789,923	13,364	118,203	-	(658,356)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	11,127,548	1,705,280	3,827,304	-	(5,594,964)
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	669,369	-	-	-	(669,369)
INTEREST	2,092,538	-	-	-	(2,092,538)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	52,168,419	6,111,654	14,183,396	1,356,161	(30,517,208)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:					
WATER	1,742,746	1,508,769	49,477	-	(184,500)
SANITATION	1,196,802	1,312,555	7,755	-	123,508
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	2,939,548	2,821,324	57,232	-	(60,992)
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	\$ 55,107,967	\$ 8,932,978	\$ 14,240,628	\$ 1,356,161	\$ (30,578,200)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT		
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:			
NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE FROM PREVIOUS PAGE	\$ (30,517,208)	\$ (60,992)	\$ (30,578,200)
GENERAL REVENUES:			
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES,			
NET OF TAX REFUNDS PAYABLE	26,033,417	-	26,033,417
TAX LIENS	162,529	-	162,529
MOTOR VEHICLE AND OTHER EXCISE TAXES	1,977,901	-	1,977,901
PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES	134,794	-	134,794
GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS NOT RESTRICTED			
TO SPECIFIC PROGRAMS	2,251,155	-	2,251,155
UNRESTRICTED INVESTMENT INCOME	714,734	-	714,734
MISCELLANEOUS	184,726	-	184,726
TRANSFERS, NET	(151,263)	151,263	-
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS	31,307,993	151,263	31,459,256
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	790,785	90,271	881,056
NET ASSETS:			
BEGINNING OF YEAR	72,269,932	10,539,100	82,809,032
END OF YEAR	\$ 73,060,717	\$ 10,629,371	\$ 83,690,088

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007

ASSETS	GENERAL	STABILIZATION	NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 7,975,378	\$ 1,509,470	\$ 4,283,104	\$ 13,767,952
INVESTMENTS	-	-	1,269,956	1,269,956
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	584,613	-	-	584,613
TAX LIENS	625,352	-	-	625,352
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	214,999	-	-	214,999
USER FEES	-	-	88,423	88,423
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	26,306	-	132,238	158,544
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	35,229,698	-	29,394	35,259,092
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	122,313	-	390,541	512,854
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 44,778,659	\$ 1,509,470	\$ 6,193,656	\$ 52,481,785
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES:				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 738,822	\$ -	\$ 122,251	\$ 861,073
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	759,966	-	128,962	888,928
OTHER LIABILITIES	1,300,000	-	-	1,300,000
DEFERRED REVENUES	36,803,281	-	611,202	37,414,483
NOTES PAYABLE	-	-	900,000	900,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	39,602,069	-	1,762,415	41,364,484
FUND BALANCES:				
RESERVED FOR:				
ENCUMBRANCES AND CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS	1,468,285	-	-	1,468,285
UNRESERVED				
DESIGNATED FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS' EXPENDITURES	1,391,425	300,000	-	1,691,425
UNDESIGNATED, REPORTED IN:				
GENERAL FUND	2,316,880	-	-	2,316,880
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	-	1,209,470	4,978,965	6,188,435
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS	-	-	(580,992)	(580,992)
PERMANENT FUNDS	-	-	33,268	33,268
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	5,176,590	1,509,470	4,431,241	11,117,301
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 44,778,659	\$ 1,509,470	\$ 6,193,656	\$ 52,481,785

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	GENERAL	STABILIZATION	NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
REVENUES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES,				
NET OF TAX REFUNDS	\$ 26,026,975	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,026,975
MOTOR VEHICLE AND OTHER EXCISE TAXES	1,948,902	-	-	1,948,902
PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES	134,794	-	-	134,794
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	16,378,615	-	2,664,307	19,042,922
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	-	-	2,242,087	2,242,087
CHARGES FOR SERVICES - SEWER	-	-	585,507	585,507
INVESTMENT INCOME	558,084	54,050	115,590	727,724
CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS	-	-	244,101	244,101
DEPARTMENTAL	1,625,894	-	529,188	2,155,082
TOTAL REVENUES	46,673,264	54,050	6,380,780	53,108,094
EXPENDITURES:				
CURRENT:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,457,226	-	782,271	3,239,497
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,227,450	-	145,620	4,373,070
EDUCATION	21,791,971	-	3,209,713	25,001,684
PUBLIC WORKS	1,995,089	-	2,155,195	4,150,284
SEWER	-	-	576,013	576,013
HUMAN SERVICES	250,274	-	158,910	409,184
CULTURE & RECREATION	662,840	-	119,531	782,371
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	10,092,339	-	23,600	10,115,939
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	669,369	-	-	669,369
DEBT SERVICE:				
PRINCIPAL	2,789,183	-	-	2,789,183
INTEREST	2,121,250	-	-	2,121,250
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	47,056,991	-	7,170,853	54,227,844
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(383,727)	54,050	(790,073)	(1,119,750)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	1,949,034	499,172	306,100	2,754,306
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(1,041,535)	(1,000,000)	(864,034)	(2,905,569)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	907,499	(500,828)	(557,934)	(151,263)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	523,772	(446,778)	(1,348,007)	(1,271,013)
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	4,652,818	1,956,248	5,779,248	12,388,314
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$ 5,176,590	\$ 1,509,470	\$ 4,431,241	\$ 11,117,301

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TOTAL FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES		\$ 11,117,301
CAPITAL ASSETS (NET) USED IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES ARE NOT FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED IN THE FUNDS		67,226,336
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR CURRENT-PERIOD EXPENDITURES AND, THEREFORE, ARE DEFERRED IN THE FUNDS		37,414,483
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS ARE USED BY MANAGEMENT TO ACCOUNT FOR EMPLOYEES' AND RETIREES' HEALTH INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT, WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AND BUILDING INSURANCE ACTIVITIES.		
THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS ARE INCLUDED IN THE GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS		1,854,975
IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES, INTEREST IS ACCRUED ON OUTSTANDING LONG-TERM DEBT, WHEREAS IN GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS INTEREST IS NOT REPORTED UNTIL DUE		(645,473)
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES ARE NOT DUE AND PAYABLE IN THE CURRENT PERIOD AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED IN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS		
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	(42,695,796)	
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	(1,121,109)	
LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS	<u>(90,000)</u>	
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		<u>(43,906,905)</u>
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		<u>\$ 73,060,717</u>

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ (1,271,013)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REPORT CAPITAL OUTLAYS AS EXPENDITURES. HOWEVER, IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES THE COST OF THOSE ASSETS IS ALLOCATED OVER THEIR ESTIMATED USEFUL LIVES AND REPORTED AS DEPRECIATION EXPENSE.

CAPITAL OUTLAY	2,941,741	
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	<u>(2,693,602)</u>	
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING CAPITAL ASSETS		248,139

REVENUES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT PROVIDE CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES ARE FULLY DEFERRED IN THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES. THEREFORE, THE RECOGNITION OF REVENUE FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (I.E. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE, ETC.) DIFFER BETWEEN THE TWO STATEMENTS. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS THE NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED REVENUE (2,164,116)

THE ISSUANCE OF LONG-TERM DEBT (E.G., BONDS) PROVIDES CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS, WHILE THE REPAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF LONG-TERM DEBT CONSUMES THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS. NEITHER TRANSACTION, HOWEVER, HAS ANY EFFECT ON NET ASSETS. ALSO, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REPORT THE EFFECT OF ISSUANCE COSTS, PREMIUMS, DISCOUNTS, AND SIMILAR ITEMS WHEN DEBT IS FIRST ISSUED, WHEREAS THESE AMOUNTS ARE DEFERRED AND AMORTIZED IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES.

DEBT SERVICE PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS	<u>2,789,183</u>	
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING LONG-TEM DEBT		2,789,183

SOME EXPENSES REPORTED IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED AS EXPENDITURES IN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS.

NET CHANGE IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES ACCRUAL	44,791	
NET CHANGE IN LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE ACCRUAL	5,000	
NET CHANGE IN ACCRUED INTEREST ON LONG-TERM DEBT	<u>28,712</u>	
NET EFFECT OF RECORDING LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		78,503

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS ARE USED BY MANAGEMENT TO ACCOUNT FOR HEALTH INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT, WORKERS' COMPENSATION, AND BUILDING INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

THE NET ACTIVITY OF INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS IS REPORTED WITH GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		<u>1,110,089</u>
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CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		<u>\$ 790,785</u>
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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	BUDGETARY	OVER
	BUDGET	BUDGET	AMOUNTS	(UNDER)
REVENUES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES, NET OF TAX REFUNDS	\$ 25,852,778	\$ 25,852,778	\$ 26,026,975	\$ 174,197
MOTOR VEHICLE AND OTHER EXCISE TAXES	1,950,000	1,950,000	1,948,902	(1,098)
PENALTIES & INTEREST ON TAXES	175,000	175,000	134,794	(40,206)
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	12,541,730	12,541,730	12,975,270	433,540
INVESTMENT INCOME	280,000	280,000	558,084	278,084
DEPARTMENTAL	1,095,000	1,095,000	1,625,894	530,894
TOTAL REVENUES	41,894,508	41,894,508	43,269,919	1,375,411
EXPENDITURES:				
CURRENT:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,960,958	3,009,460	2,457,226	552,234
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,737,935	4,713,340	4,227,450	485,890
EDUCATION	21,819,042	21,819,042	21,791,971	27,071
PUBLIC WORKS	2,473,173	2,669,752	1,995,089	674,663
HUMAN SERVICES	269,042	273,042	250,274	22,768
CULTURE & RECREATION	673,498	673,498	662,840	10,658
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	6,795,569	6,784,569	6,732,323	52,246
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	671,237	671,237	669,369	1,868
DEBT SERVICE:				
PRINCIPAL	2,775,129	2,775,129	2,774,029	1,100
INTEREST	2,521,680	2,360,680	2,093,075	267,605
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	45,697,263	45,749,749	43,653,646	2,096,103
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(3,802,755)	(3,855,241)	(383,727)	3,471,514
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	1,845,534	1,845,534	1,949,034	103,500
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(892,363)	(892,363)	(1,041,535)	(149,172)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	953,171	953,171	907,499	(45,672)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(2,849,584)	(2,902,070)	523,772	3,425,842
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	4,652,818	4,652,818	4,652,818	-
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,803,234	\$ 1,750,748	\$ 5,176,590	\$ 3,425,842

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
 JUNE 30, 2007

ASSETS	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
	WATER	SANITATION	TOTAL	
CURRENT:				
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 850,815	\$ 200,507	\$ 1,051,322	\$ 2,518,136
USER FEES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:	188,578	126,504	315,082	-
DEPARTMENTAL	-	-	-	129,977
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,039,393	327,011	1,366,404	2,648,113
NONCURRENT:				
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	13,459,831	-	13,459,831	-
TOTAL ASSETS	14,499,224	327,011	14,826,235	2,648,113
LIABILITIES				
CURRENT:				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	60,877	123,099	183,976	-
HEALTH CLAIMS PAYABLE	-	-	-	793,138
ACCRUED INTEREST	60,572	-	60,572	-
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	1,755,184	-	1,755,184	-
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	15,500	-	15,500	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,892,133	123,099	2,015,232	793,138
NONCURRENT:				
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	2,099,632	-	2,099,632	-
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	82,000	-	82,000	-
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	2,181,632	-	2,181,632	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,073,765	123,099	4,196,864	793,138
NET ASSETS				
INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF RELATED DEBT	9,605,015	-	9,605,015	-
UNRESTRICTED	820,444	203,912	1,024,356	1,854,975
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 10,425,459	\$ 203,912	\$ 10,629,371	\$ 1,854,975

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
	WATER	SANITATION	TOTAL	
<u>OPERATING REVENUES:</u>				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$ 1,508,769	\$ 1,312,555	\$ 2,821,324	\$ -
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	5,129,100
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	1,705,280
DEPARTMENTAL & OTHER INCOME	15,913	-	15,913	403,836
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,524,682	1,312,555	2,837,237	7,238,216
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u>				
GENERAL SERVICES	1,222,777	1,196,802	2,419,579	-
DEPRECIATION	308,515	-	308,515	-
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	58,600	-	58,600	6,185,500
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,589,892	1,196,802	2,786,694	6,185,500
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(65,210)	115,753	50,543	1,052,716
<u>NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):</u>				
INVESTMENT INCOME	33,564	7,755	41,319	57,373
INTEREST EXPENSE	(152,854)	-	(152,854)	-
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES), NET	(119,290)	7,755	(111,535)	57,373
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OPERATING TRANSFERS	(184,500)	123,508	(60,992)	1,110,089
<u>OPERATING TRANSFERS:</u>				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	277,363	-	277,363	-
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(126,100)	-	(126,100)	-
TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS	151,263	-	151,263	-
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(33,237)	123,508	90,271	1,110,089
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	10,458,696	80,404	10,539,100	744,886
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 10,425,459	\$ 203,912	\$ 10,629,371	\$ 1,854,975

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
	WATER	SANITATION	TOTAL	
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u>				
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,129,100
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	1,705,280
RECEIPTS FROM CUSTOMERS AND USERS	1,499,140	1,259,359	2,758,499	273,859
PAYMENTS TO SUPPLIERS	(697,352)	(1,156,349)	(1,853,701)	(6,080,542)
PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES	(558,392)	(23,184)	(581,576)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	243,396	79,826	323,222	1,027,697
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</u>				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	277,363	-	277,363	-
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(126,100)	-	(126,100)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED (USES) BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	151,263	-	151,263	-
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</u>				
PROCEEDS FROM THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES	1,365,000	-	1,365,000	-
PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON BONDS AND NOTES	(404,872)	-	(404,872)	-
ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CAPITAL ASSETS	(1,721,252)	-	(1,721,252)	-
INTEREST EXPENSE	(111,712)	-	(111,712)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(872,836)	-	(872,836)	-
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</u>				
INTEREST RECEIVED	33,564	7,755	41,319	57,373
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	33,564	7,755	41,319	57,373
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	(444,613)	87,581	(357,032)	1,085,070
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,295,428	112,926	1,408,354	1,433,066
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 850,815	\$ 200,507	\$ 1,051,322	\$ 2,518,136
<u>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</u>				
<u>TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u>				
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (65,210)	\$ 115,753	\$ 50,543	\$ 1,052,716
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
DEPRECIATION	308,515	-	308,515	-
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	(25,542)	(53,196)	(78,738)	(129,977)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	22,533	17,269	39,802	-
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN HEALTH CLAIMS PAYABLE	-	-	-	104,958
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES	3,100	-	3,100	-
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	308,606	(35,927)	272,679	(25,019)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 243,396	\$ 79,826	\$ 323,222	\$ 1,027,697

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2007

	<u>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</u>	<u>AGENCY FUNDS</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 31,682	\$ 691,296
INVESTMENTS	<u>509,193</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>540,875</u>	<u>691,296</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	-	206,731
OTHER LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>484,565</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>691,296</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
HELD IN TRUST FOR OTHER PURPOSES	<u>\$ 540,875</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	<u>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</u>
<u>ADDITIONS:</u>	
NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS):	
INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>30,809</u>
<u>DEDUCTIONS:</u>	
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>19,200</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	11,609
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>529,266</u>
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 540,875</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
June 30, 2007

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying basic financial statements of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts (the Town) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant Town accounting policies:

A. Reporting Entity

Primary Government

The Town is a municipal corporation that is governed by a five member Board of Selectmen (the Board). The Board is responsible for appointing a Town Administrator whose responsibility is to manage the day to day operations. For financial reporting purposes, the Town has included all funds, organizations, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions and institutions. The Town has also considered all potential component units, blended or discretely presented, for which it is financially accountable as well as other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Town are such that exclusion would cause the basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations and discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the government. It has been determined that there are no component units (blended or discretely presented) for inclusion in the primary government's financial reporting entity.

Joint Venture

Municipal joint ventures pool resources to share the costs, risks and rewards of providing services to their participants, the general public or others. The Town is a participant in the following joint venture:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Annual Assessment</u>
Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District	To provide vocational education	65 Pleasant Street Upton, MA 01568	\$ 688,992

The Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District (the District) is governed by a thirteen (13) member school committee consisting of one (1) elected representative from the Town of Bellingham. The Town is indirectly liable for debt and other expenditures of the District and is assessed annually for its share of the operating and capital costs. Separate financial statements may be obtained by writing to the Treasurer of the District at the above address. The Town has an equity interest of approximately 4.90% in the joint venture.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. *Governmental activities*, which are primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which are supported primarily by user fees and charges.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and displayed in a single column.

Major Fund Criteria

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Town or it meets the following criteria:

- a. If the total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of an individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding element (assets, liabilities, etc.) for all funds of that category or type (total governmental or total enterprise funds), *and*
- b. If the total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding element for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

Additionally, any other governmental or enterprise fund that management believes is particularly significant to the basic financial statements may be reported as a major fund.

Internal service funds and fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred. Real estate and personal property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a particular function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include the following:

- a. *Charges to customers* or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment.
- b. *Grants and contributions* that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or segment.
- c. *Grants and contributions* that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Taxes and other items not identifiable as program revenues are reported as general revenues.

For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions are charges between the general fund and the various enterprise funds. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the functions affected.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and the non current portion of compensated absences, and landfill post closure care costs which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with current expendable available resources.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, there are essentially two types of revenues. In one, moneys must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Town; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures incurred. In the other, moneys are virtually unrestricted and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

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The Town considers property taxes as available if they are due and collected within 60 days after fiscal year-end. Licenses and permits, user charges, fines and forfeitures, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- The *General fund* is the primary operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The *Stabilization fund* is a special revenue fund used to account for the accumulation of resources to provide general and/or capital reserves.
- The *Nonmajor Governmental funds* consist of other special revenue, capital projects and permanent funds that are aggregated and presented in the *nonmajor governmental funds* column on the governmental funds financial statements. The following describes the general use of these fund types:
 - The *Special Revenue fund* is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than permanent funds or capital projects funds) that are restricted by law or administrative action to expenditures for specified purposes.
 - The *Capital Projects fund* is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by enterprise and trust funds).
 - The *Permanent fund* is used to account for financial resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, may be used for purposes that support the governmental programs.

Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary funds principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The following major proprietary funds are reported:

- The *Water Enterprise fund* is used to account for water activities.
- The *Sanitation Enterprise fund* is used to account for the operations of the trash collection activities.

Additionally, the following proprietary fund type is reported:

- The *Internal Service fund* is used to account for the financing of services provided by one department to other departments or governmental units. This fund is used to account for risk financing activities related to municipal building insurance, worker's compensation, unemployment compensation, and health insurance.

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements

Fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity for others that cannot be used to support the governmental programs.

The following fiduciary fund types are reported:

- The *Private-Purpose trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the permanent fund (nonmajor governmental funds), under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.
- The *Agency fund* is used to account for assets held in a purely custodial capacity.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

For the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary and fiduciary fund accounting, all applicable Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued on or prior to November 30, 1989, are applied, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

D. Cash and Investments

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Cash and short term investments are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Investments are reported at fair value.

E. Accounts Receivable

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the government-wide financial statements and proprietary and fiduciary funds financial statements are reported under the accrual basis of accounting. The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the governmental funds financial statements are reported under the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Real Estate, Personal Property Taxes and Tax Liens

Real estate and personal property taxes are based on values assessed as of each January 1 and are normally due on the subsequent August 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1. Property taxes that remain unpaid after the respective due dates are subject to penalties and interest charges. By law, all taxable property in the Commonwealth must be assessed at 100% of fair market value. Once levied which is required to be at least 30 days prior to the due date, these taxes are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of levy. Based on the Town's experience, most property taxes are collected during the year in which they are assessed. Liening of properties on which taxes remain unpaid occurs annually. The Town ultimately has the right to foreclose on all properties where the taxes remain unpaid.

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A statewide property tax limitation statute known as "Proposition 2 ½" limits the amount of increase in property tax levy in any fiscal year. Generally, Proposition 2 ½ limits the total levy to an amount not greater than 2 ½ % of the total assessed value of all taxable property within the Town. Secondly, the tax levy cannot increase by more than 2 ½ % of the prior year's levy plus the taxes on property newly added to the tax rolls. Certain provisions of Proposition 2 ½ can be overridden by a Town-wide referendum.

Real estate receivables are secured via the tax lien process and are considered 100% collectible. Accordingly, an allowance for uncollectibles is not reported.

Personal property taxes cannot be secured through the lien process. The allowance of uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Motor Vehicle Excise

Motor vehicle excise taxes are assessed annually for each vehicle registered in the Town and are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy. The Commonwealth is responsible for reporting the number of vehicles registered and the fair values of those vehicles. The tax calculation is the fair value of the vehicle multiplied by \$25 per \$1,000 of value.

The allowance for uncollectibles is based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Water and Sewer

User fees are levied semi-annually based on individual meter readings and are subject to penalties and interest if they are not paid by the respective due date. Water and sewer liens are processed in December of every year and included as a lien on the property owner's tax bill. Water and sewer charges and related liens are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy.

Since the receivables are secured via the lien process, these accounts are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

Departmental and Other

Departmental and other receivables consist primarily of ambulance receivables and are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year accrued. The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Intergovernmental

Various federal and state grants for operating and capital purposes are applied for and received annually. For non-expenditure driven grants, receivables are recognized as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. For expenditure driven grants, receivables are recognized when the qualifying expenditures are incurred and all other grant requirements are met.

These receivables are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

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F. Inventories

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Inventories of the governmental funds and the water and sanitation enterprise funds are recorded as expenditures, at the time of purchase. Such inventories are not material in total to the basic financial statements, and therefore are not reported.

G. Capital Assets

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Capital assets, which include land, buildings, machinery and equipment, vehicles, infrastructure (e.g., water mains, roadways, and similar items), and construction in progress are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column of the government-wide financial statements, and the proprietary fund financial statements. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost, or at estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Except for the capital assets of the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements, construction period interest is capitalized on constructed capital assets if material.

All purchases and construction costs in excess of \$15,000 are capitalized at the date of acquisition or construction, respectively, with expected useful lives of five years or greater.

Capital assets (excluding land and construction in progress) are depreciated on a straight-line basis. The estimated useful lives of capital assets are as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Life (in years)</u>
Buildings	40
Machinery and equipment	5-10
Vehicles	5-15
Infrastructure	50

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized and are treated as expenses when incurred.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Capital asset costs are recorded as expenditures in the fiscal year of purchase for the various funds.

H. Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of its operations, transactions occur between and within individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within governmental funds and internal service funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net assets. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of net assets as "internal balances".

Fund Financial Statements

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within funds are *not* eliminated from the individual fund statements. Receivables and payables resulting from these transactions are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the balance sheet.

I. Interfund Transfers

During the course of its operations, resources are permanently reallocated between and within funds. These transactions are reported as operating transfers in and operating transfers out.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Operating transfers between and within governmental funds and internal service funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net assets. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of activities as "Transfers, net".

Fund Financial Statements

Operating transfers between and within funds are *not* eliminated from the individual fund statements and are reported as operating transfers in and operating transfers out.

J. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue at the governmental fund financial statement level represents billed receivables that do not meet the available criterion in accordance with the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Deferred revenue is recognized as revenue in the conversion to the government-wide (full accrual) financial statements.

K. Net Assets and Fund Equity

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Assets)

Net assets are classified into three components:

- a. *Invested in capital assets, net of related debt* – consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. *Restricted net assets* – Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Net assets have been “restricted” for the following:

- *Permanent funds -expendable* represents amounts held in trust for which the expenditures are restricted by various trust agreements.
 - *Other specific purposes* represent restrictions placed on assets from outside parties.
- c. *Unrestricted net assets* – All other net assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets, net of related debt.”

Fund Financial Statements (Fund Balances)

- a. *Fund balances* consist of funds that are reserved for amounts, that are not available for appropriation, that are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific future use, and designations of fund balances that represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Fund balances have been reserved for the following:

- *Encumbrances and continuing appropriations* represents amounts obligated under purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for expenditures that are being carried over to the ensuing fiscal year.

Fund balances have been designated for the following:

- *Subsequent year's expenditures* represents amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 2008 operating budget.
- b. *Undesignated fund balances* – all other fund balances that do not meet the definition of “reserved” or “designated.”

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L. Long-term debt

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net assets. Material bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

The face amount of governmental funds long-term debt is reported as other financing sources. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the current period. Bond premiums are reported as other financing sources and bond discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual bond proceeds received, are reported as general government expenditures.

M. Investment Income

Excluding the permanent funds, investment income derived from major and nonmajor governmental funds is legally assigned to the general fund unless otherwise directed by Massachusetts General Laws (MGL).

N. Compensated Absences

Employees are granted sick and vacation leave in varying amounts. Upon retirement, termination or death, certain employees are compensated for unused sick and vacation leave (subject to certain limitations) at their then current rates of pay.

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

The total amount to be paid in future years is presented in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net assets. The liability for vacation leave is based on the amount earned but not used; for sick leave, it is based on the amount accumulated at the balance sheet date (vesting method).

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

The portion of the liability related to unused sick and vacation time that has matured or is due as of June 30, 2007 is recorded in the governmental fund financial statement.

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O. Post Retirement Benefits

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

In addition to providing pension benefits, health and life insurance coverage is provided for retired employees and their survivors in accordance with, Chapter 32B, of Massachusetts General Laws, under various contributory plans. The cost of providing health and life insurance is recognized by recording the employer's 50% share of insurance premiums in the internal service fund in the fiscal year paid. All benefits are provided through third-party insurance carriers and health maintenance organizations that administer, assume, and pay all claims. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, this expense/expenditure totaled approximately \$677,178. There were approximately 176 participants eligible to receive benefits at June 30, 2007.

P. Use of Estimates

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The preparation of the accompanying financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

Q. Total Column

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The total column presented on the government-wide financial statements represents consolidated financial information.

Fund Financial Statements

The total column on the fund financial statements is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column is not comparable to the consolidated financial information.

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NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Basis of Accounting

Pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town adopts an annual budget for the general fund. The budgets for all departments and operations of the Town, except that of the public schools, are prepared under the direction of the Town Administrator. The School Department budget is prepared under the direction of the School Committee. The level of expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations for each department or undertaking in the following categories: (1) salaries and wages; (2) ordinary maintenance; and (3) capital outlays.

The majority of appropriations are non-continuing which lapse at the end of each fiscal year. Others are continuing appropriations for which the governing body has authorized that an unspent balance from a prior fiscal year be carried forward and made available for spending in the current fiscal year. These carry forwards are included as part of the subsequent fiscal year's original budget.

Original and supplemental appropriations are enacted upon by a Town Meeting vote. Management may not amend the budget without seeking the approval of the governing body. The Town's Finance Committee can legally transfer funds from its reserve fund to other appropriations within the budget without seeking Town Meeting approvals. The original fiscal year 2007 approved budget authorized \$44,245,723 in current year appropriations and other amounts to be raised and \$1,451,540 in encumbrances and appropriations carried over from previous fiscal years. Supplemental appropriations of \$52,486 were approved at one Special Town Meeting during fiscal year 2007.

The Chief Financial Officer has the responsibility to ensure that budgetary controls are maintained and monitored through the accounting system.

B. Budgetary -GAAP Reconciliation

For budgetary financial reporting purposes, the Uniform Municipal Accounting System basis of accounting (established by the Commonwealth) is followed, which differs from the GAAP basis of accounting. A reconciliation of budgetary-basis to GAAP-basis results for the general fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, is presented below:

Net change in fund balance - budgetary basis	\$ 523,772
Basis of accounting differences:	
Increase in revenue for on-behalf payments - MTRS	3,360,016
Increase in expenditures for on-behalf payments - MTRS	(3,360,016)
Increase in revenue for the MWPAT subsidy	43,329
Increase in expenditures for the MWPAT subsidy	<u>(43,329)</u>
Net change in fund balance - GAAP basis	<u>\$ 523,772</u>

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C. Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, actual expenditures exceeded appropriations for snow removal. This over-expenditure will be funded by available funds during fiscal year 2008.

D. Deficit Fund Balances

Several individual fund deficits exist within the special revenue and capital projects funds. These individual deficits will be eliminated through subsequent fiscal year budget transfers, grants and proceeds of long-term debt during fiscal year 2008.

NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available to the Town. Deposits (including demand deposits, term deposits and certificates of deposit) in any one financial institution may not exceed certain levels unless collateralized by the financial institutions involved.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned. The Town carries deposits that are fully insured by FDIC insurance, DIF insurance or collateralized with securities held by the Town or the Town's agent in the Town's name. The Town also carries deposits that are not collateralized and are uninsured. As of June 30, 2007, the bank balances of uninsured and uncollateralized deposits are \$11,560,213.

Investments

Investments can also be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. government or agencies that have a maturity of less than one year from the date of purchase, repurchase agreement guaranteed by the U.S. government or agencies that have a maturity of less than one year from the date of purchase, repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase, and units in the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT). The Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts oversees the financial management of the MMDT, a local investment pool for cities, towns, and other state and local agencies within the Commonwealth. The Town's fair value of its investment in MMDT represents their value of the pool's shares. The Town's Trust Funds have expanded investment powers including the ability to invest in equity securities, corporate bonds, annuities and other specified investments.

The composition of the Town's bank recorded deposits and investments fluctuates depending primarily on the timing of property tax receipts, proceeds from borrowings, collections of state and federal aid, and capital outlays throughout the year.

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The following is a listing of the primary government's fixed income investments and related maturity schedule (in years) as of June 30, 2007:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair value</u>	<u>1-5</u>
<u>Debt Securities:</u>		
U.S. Agency Bonds	<u>\$1,275,073</u>	<u>\$ 1,275,073</u>
<u>Other Investments:</u>		
Mutual Funds	94,663	
Certificates of Deposit	<u>409,413</u>	
Total Other Investments	<u>504,076</u>	
Total Investments	<u>\$1,779,149</u>	

Interest Rate Risk

The Town's guidelines do not specifically address limits on maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments

For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of a failure by the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral security that are in possession of an outside party. Of the investments in debt securities listed above, the Town does not have any custodial credit risk exposure because the related securities are collateralized mortgage obligations. The Town does not have an investment policy for custodial credit risk.

Credit Risk

The Town has not adopted a formal policy related to Credit Risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Town places no limit on the amount the government may invest in any one issuer. More than 5% of the Town's investments are in the following securities:

<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Investments</u>
U.S. Agency Bonds	100%

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NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES

The receivables at June 30, 2007 for the Town's individual major, nonmajor governmental funds, and internal service funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	Gross Amount	Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Amount
<u>Receivables:</u>			
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$ 645,610	\$ (60,997)	\$ 584,613
Tax liens	625,352	-	625,352
Motor vehicles excise taxes	238,611	(23,612)	214,999
User fees	88,423	-	88,423
Departmental & other	396,716	(108,195)	288,521
Intergovernmental	35,259,092	-	35,259,092
Special assessments	512,854	-	512,854
Total	<u>\$ 37,766,658</u>	<u>\$ (192,804)</u>	<u>\$ 37,573,854</u>

The receivables at June 30, 2007 for the enterprise funds consist of the following:

	Gross Amount	Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Amount
<u>Receivables:</u>			
<i>Water</i>			
User fees	\$ 188,578	\$ -	\$ 188,578
<i>Sanitation</i>			
User fees	126,504	-	126,504
Total	<u>\$ 315,082</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 315,082</u>

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Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with revenues that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenue reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

Deferred Revenue Analysis

<u>Receivable Type:</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$ 584,613	\$ -	\$ 584,613
Tax liens	625,352	-	625,352
Motor vehicle excise taxes	214,999	-	214,999
User fees	-	88,423	88,423
Departmental and other	26,306	132,238	158,544
Intergovernmental	35,229,698	-	35,229,698
Special assessments	122,313	390,541	512,854
Total	<u>\$ 36,803,281</u>	<u>\$ 611,202</u>	<u>\$ 37,414,483</u>

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NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, was as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
<u>Capital assets not being depreciated:</u>				
Land	\$ 12,015,447	\$ 76,360	\$ -	\$ 12,091,807
Construction in progress	738,576	908,545	-	1,647,121
Total capital assets not being depreciated	12,754,023	984,905	-	13,738,928
<u>Capital assets being depreciated:</u>				
Buildings	64,703,742	131,441	-	64,835,183
Machinery and equipment	6,088,725	170,077	-	6,258,802
Vehicles	3,028,424	213,520	-	3,241,944
Infrastructure	10,524,033	1,441,798	-	11,965,831
Total capital assets being depreciated	84,344,924	1,956,836	-	86,301,760
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>				
Buildings	(20,156,038)	(1,469,646)	-	(21,625,684)
Machinery and equipment	(3,017,503)	(580,344)	-	(3,597,847)
Vehicles	(1,885,030)	(230,887)	-	(2,115,917)
Infrastructure	(5,062,179)	(412,725)	-	(5,474,904)
Total accumulated depreciation	(30,120,750)	(2,693,602)	-	(32,814,352)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	54,224,174	(736,766)	-	53,487,408
Total governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 66,978,197	\$ 248,139	\$ -	\$ 67,226,336

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<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<u>Capital assets not being depreciated:</u>				
Land	\$ 3,510,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,510,300
Construction in progress	423,611	1,545,034	-	1,968,645
Total capital assets not being depreciated	3,933,911	1,545,034	-	5,478,945
<u>Capital assets being depreciated:</u>				
Buildings	23,100	-	-	23,100
Machinery and equipment	1,156,428	-	-	1,156,428
Vehicles	305,077	-	-	305,077
Infrastructure	9,218,513	176,219	-	9,394,732
Total capital assets being depreciated	10,703,118	176,219	-	10,879,337
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>				
Buildings	(6,641)	(578)	-	(7,219)
Machinery and equipment	(242,265)	(100,908)	-	(343,173)
Vehicles	(143,408)	(20,338)	-	(163,746)
Infrastructure	(2,197,622)	(186,691)	-	(2,384,313)
Total accumulated depreciation	(2,589,936)	(308,515)	-	(2,898,451)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	8,113,182	(132,296)	-	7,980,886
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 12,047,093</u>	<u>\$ 1,412,738</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 13,459,831</u>

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Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General government	\$ 150,108
Public safety	281,345
Education	1,714,007
Public works	497,526
Human services	43,064
Culture and recreation	<u>7,552</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 2,693,602</u>
Business-Type Activities:	
Water	\$ 308,515
Sanitation	<u>-</u>
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	<u>\$ 308,515</u>

Construction Commitments

The Town has various active construction projects as of June 30, 2007. At year end the Town's commitments are as follows:

Project	Spent to Date	Remaining Commitment
Grove St. Standpipe	\$ 28,493	\$ 230,705
Farm St. & James St. Water Main Replacements	<u>231,450</u>	<u>328,050</u>
Total	<u>\$ 259,943</u>	<u>\$ 558,755</u>

The commitments for the Grove St. Standpipe project and the Farm St. and James St. Water Main Replacements projects are being funded by available funds in the Water Enterprise Fund and future debt obligations.

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NOTE 6 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, are summarized as follows:

Operating Transfers Out	Operating Transfers In:				Total
	General Fund	Stabilization Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Water Enterprise Fund	
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 499,172	\$ 265,000	\$ 277,363	\$ 1,041,535 (1)
Stabilization Fund	1,000,000	-	-	-	1,000,000 (2)
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	864,034	-	-	-	864,034 (2)
Water Enterprise Fund	85,000	-	41,100	-	126,100 (2)
Total	<u>\$ 1,949,034</u>	<u>\$ 499,172</u>	<u>\$ 306,100</u>	<u>\$ 277,363</u>	<u>\$ 3,031,669</u>

(1) Represents budgeted and non-budgeted transfers to the stabilization fund, various nonmajor governmental funds, and the water enterprise fund.

(2) Represents various budgeted transfers to supplement the operating budget.

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NOTE 7 – SHORT -TERM FINANCING

Under state law, and with the appropriate authorization, the Town is authorized to borrow funds on a temporary basis as follows:

- To fund current operations prior to the collection of revenues by issuing revenue anticipation notes (RANS).
- To fund grants prior to reimbursement by issuing grant anticipation notes (GANS).
- To fund Capital project costs incurred prior to selling permanent debt by issuing bond anticipation notes (BANS).
- To fund current project costs and other approved expenditures incurred, that are approved to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth, through the issuance of State Aid anticipated notes (SANS).

Short-term loans are general obligations of the Town and maturity dates are governed by statute. Interest expenditures for short-term borrowings are accounted for in the general fund.

The following is a summary of changes in short-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2007:

Type	Purpose	Rate (%)	Due Date	Balance at June 30, 2006	Renewed/ Issued	Retired/ Redeemed	Balance at June 30, 2007
<u>Governmental Funds</u>							
BAN	Multi-purpose	4.00	11/15/2007	\$ -	\$ 900,000	\$ -	\$ 900,000
<u>Enterprise Funds</u>							
BAN	Multi-purpose	4.00	11/15/2007	-	1,365,000	-	1,365,000
	Total			<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,265,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,265,000</u>

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NOTE 8 – LONG-TERM DEBT

The Town is subject to a dual-level, general debt limit: the normal debt limit and the double debt limit. Such limits are equal to 5% and 10%, respectively, of the valuation of taxable property in the Town as last equalized by the Commonwealth's Department of Revenue. Debt may be authorized up to the normal debt limit without state approval. Authorizations under the double debt limit, however require the approval of the Commonwealth's Emergency Finance Board. Additionally, there are many categories of general long-term debt which are exempt from the debt limit but are subject to other limitations.

The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2007:

Bonds and Notes Payable Schedule – Governmental Funds

Project	Interest Rate (%)	Outstanding at June 30, 2006	Issued	Redeemed	Out standing at June 30, 2007
Sewer Construction	4.92%	\$ 1,313,312	\$ -	\$ 229,128	\$ 1,084,184
School Remodeling	5.63%	170,000	-	20,000	150,000
Landfill Closure	4.76%	630,000	-	130,000	500,000
School Roof	4.76%	166,000	-	30,000	136,000
Ball Field Lights	4.76%	6,000	-	6,000	-
Tile V Septic	Var.%	147,311	-	10,539	136,772
Sewer	Var.%	332,328	-	63,496	268,832
School	4.76%	25,150,000	-	1,165,000	23,985,000
Senior Center	4.68%	675,000	-	45,000	630,000
Roads	4.01%	210,000	-	45,000	165,000
School Construction	4.84%	10,355,000	-	450,000	9,905,000
Ambulance	1.68%	80,000	-	40,000	40,000
Sewer	1.68%	2,317,100	-	267,900	2,049,200
School	1.68%	147,900	-	17,100	130,800
Tile V Septic	Var.%	170,028	-	10,020	160,008
Land Acquisition	3.96%	1,067,500	-	57,500	1,010,000
Town Hall Construction	3.96%	1,167,500	-	67,500	1,100,000
Roads	3.96%	1,080,000	-	120,000	960,000
Tile V Septic	Var.%	300,000	-	15,000	285,000
Total		<u>\$ 45,484,979</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,789,183</u>	<u>\$ 42,695,796</u>

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The annual debt service requirements for principal and interest for Governmental bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2007 are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2008	\$ 2,845,049	\$ 2,000,622	\$ 4,845,671
2009	2,879,880	1,884,185	4,764,065
2010	2,963,551	1,760,787	4,724,338
2011	3,046,843	1,632,531	4,679,374
2012	2,901,630	1,492,453	4,394,083
2013-2017	14,047,284	5,467,630	19,514,914
2018-2022	13,596,355	1,913,610	15,509,965
2023-2026	415,204	30,385	445,589
Total	<u>\$ 42,695,796</u>	<u>\$ 16,182,203</u>	<u>\$ 58,877,999</u>

Massachusetts School Building Authority Reimbursements

Chapter 645 of the Act of 1948 as amended ("Chapter 645") created a statewide school building assistance program. Pursuant to this program, cities and towns issued bonds for eligible school building projects and were reimbursed over a period of years by the Commonwealth according to a statutory percentage for such city or town.

Legislation enacted as part of the Commonwealth's Fiscal 2001 budget repealed 645 and created a new school building assistance program codified as Chapter 70B of the Massachusetts General Laws. Among other changes, the new program includes grants for alternatives to construction and calculates grants for each project based on a number of factors. The new legislation does not affect the reimbursement percentages for bonds previously issued under Chapter 645, and the grants for certain "grandfathered" projects will be based on the statutory percentages provided for in Chapter 645.

The Town has been approved for a 76% percent state school construction grant through the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) to cover eligible project costs, including debt service associated with the financing of these projects, subject to annual appropriation by the state legislature. The Town received \$2,679,006 from scheduled annual payments in FY 2007 from the MSBA for completed school construction projects.

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Bonds and Notes Payable Schedule – Water Enterprise Fund

Project	Interest Rate (%)	Outstanding at June 30, 2006	Issued	Redeemed	Outstanding at June 30, 2007
Water Filtration	4.92%	\$ 572,865	\$ -	\$ 100,333	\$ 472,532
Water	4.92%	31,826	-	5,574	26,252
Well	4.92%	4,095	-	4,095	-
Well	4.92%	37,902	-	5,870	32,032
Well Construction	4.76%	324,000	-	60,000	264,000
Land Acquisition	4.76%	4,000	-	4,000	-
Water	2.52%	465,000	-	60,000	405,000
Water	2.47%	245,000	-	35,000	210,000
Water	3.96%	1,210,000	-	130,000	1,080,000
Total		<u>\$ 2,894,688</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 404,872</u>	<u>\$ 2,489,816</u>

The annual debt service requirements for principal and interest for water enterprise fund bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2007 are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 390,184	\$ 94,810	\$ 484,994
2009	386,973	79,246	466,219
2010	375,384	63,823	439,207
2011	353,275	48,975	402,250
2012	364,000	34,012	398,012
2013-2017	420,000	74,488	494,488
2018-2022	125,000	31,987	156,987
2023-2025	75,000	6,550	81,550
Total	<u>\$ 2,489,816</u>	<u>\$ 433,891</u>	<u>\$ 2,923,707</u>

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Loans Authorized and Unissued

As of June 30, 2007, the Town has loans authorized and unissued as follows:

Description	Date Authorized	Amount
Failing Sewer Systems	5/24/1995	\$ 50,000
Sewer Collection System Design & Construction	5/25/2005	500,000
Fire Pumper	10/11/2006	400,000
Remediated Sewer	5/23/2007	200,000
Pulaski Blvd.	5/24/2006	400,000
Pulaski Blvd.	10/11/2006	370,000
Total Governmental Activities		<u>1,920,000</u>
 Pulaski Blvd. Water Main Improvements	5/25/2005	800,000
Pulaski Blvd. Water Main Improvements	10/12/2005	565,000
Grove Street Standpipe	5/23/2007	900,000
Total Busines Activities		<u>2,265,000</u>
Total		<u>\$ 4,185,000</u>

Changes in Long-term Liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007:

Governmental Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 45,484,979	\$ -	\$ (2,789,183)	\$ 42,695,796	\$ 2,845,049
Compensated absences	1,165,900	-	(44,791)	1,121,109	75,500
Landfill postclosure care costs	95,000	-	(5,000)	90,000	5,000
Total governmental activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 46,745,879</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (2,838,974)</u>	<u>\$ 43,906,905</u>	<u>\$ 2,925,549</u>
 Business-Type Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 2,894,688	\$ -	\$ (404,872)	\$ 2,489,816	\$ 390,184
Compensated absences	94,400	3,100	-	97,500	15,500
Total business-type activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 2,989,088</u>	<u>\$ 3,100</u>	<u>\$ (404,872)</u>	<u>\$ 2,587,316</u>	<u>\$ 405,684</u>

The governmental activities long-term liabilities are generally liquidated by the general fund.

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Overlapping Debt

The Town pays assessments under formulas which include debt service payments to other governmental agencies providing services to the Town, (commonly referred to as overlapping debt). The following summary sets forth the long-term debt of such governmental agencies and the estimated share being financed by the Town as of June 30, 2007:

Agency	Total Long-Term Debt Outstanding	Town's Estimated Share	Town's Indirect Debt
Norfolk County	\$ 1,200,000	2.076%	\$ 24,912
Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District			
School Construction Bonds	<u>7,310,000</u>	4.90%	<u>358,190</u>
	<u>\$ 8,510,000</u>		<u>\$ 383,102</u>

NOTE 9 – STABILIZATION FUND

At June 30, 2007, \$1,509,470 has been set aside in the stabilization fund, which is classified as a major fund in the governmental funds financial statements. The stabilization fund balance can be used for general and/or capital purposes as approved by Town Meeting vote. At the May 23, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, Town Meeting voted to set aside \$300,000 of the stabilization fund balance to fund the fiscal year 2008 budget.

NOTE 10 – RISK FINANCING

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employee's health and life; and natural disasters.

Buildings are fully insured against fire, theft, and natural disaster (except for losses due to flood or earthquake) to the extent that losses exceed \$1,000 per incident. Buildings are fully insured against flood and earthquake damage, to the extent that losses exceed \$25,000 per incident.

The Town's workers compensation program is premium-based. The policy is limited to Massachusetts Statutory Benefits.

The Town is insured for general liability; however, Chapter 258 of the Massachusetts General Laws limits the Town's liability to a maximum of \$100,000 per claim in all matters except in actions relating to federal civil rights, eminent domain and breach of contract. Such claims are charged to the general fund. There were no such claims in 2007.

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The Town has a variety of contributory health care options including self-insured and third party insured health care programs for its employees and retirees. There are 549 employees and retirees who participate in the Town's health care programs. For those 365 employees and retirees electing a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), the town contributes 80% of the costs. For those 7 employees and retirees over 65 years old electing a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), the town contributes 50% of the costs. For those 6 employees and retirees electing the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Master Health Plus Plan (self-insured full indemnity plan), the Town contributes either 65% or 75% of the premium costs depending on whether the employee/retiree is on the town-side or school-side. For those 105 employees and retirees over 65 years old electing the premium-based supplementary Medex insurance, the Town contributes 50% of the costs. Stop loss insurance is carried on all self-insured health care claims in excess of \$75,000 individually.

The Town's health insurance activities are accounted for in the internal service fund where revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred. Liabilities for self-insured claims are reported when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated. These losses include an estimate of claims that have been incurred but not recorded. As of June 30, 2007 and June 30, 2006, the only such liabilities are those related to the Town's self-insured health care program. The Town established a liability based on historical trends for the previous fiscal years. Changes in the self-insured liability account in fiscal year 2007 and 2006 were as follows:

	Healthcare	
	2007	2006
Liability at beginning of fiscal year	\$ 687,844	\$ 696,941
Claims incurred for current fiscal year and Changes in provisions for prior year	5,726,320	4,975,102
Claims payments for current fiscal year	<u>(5,621,026)</u>	<u>(4,984,199)</u>
Liability at end of fiscal year	<u>\$ 793,138</u>	<u>\$ 687,844</u>

NOTE 11 – PENSION PLAN

A. *Plan Descriptions*

The Town contributes to the Norfolk County Contributory Retirement System (the “System”), a cost sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan administered by the Norfolk County Retirement Board. Substantially, all employees are members of the “System” except for public school teachers and certain school administrators who are members of the Massachusetts Teachers’ Retirement System (MTRS) to which the Town does not contribute.

The “System” and the MTRS are contributory defined benefit plans and membership in both the “System” and the MTRS is mandatory upon commencement of employment for all permanent, full-time employees. The “System” and the MTRS provide retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries.

Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the plan, and grant cost-of-living increases, to the State legislature. The “System” issues a publicly available financial report, which can be obtained through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (“PERAC”), One Ashburton Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02108.

B. *Funding Policies*

Norfolk County Contributory Retirement System

Plan members are required to contribute to the “System” at rates ranging from 5% to 11% of annual covered compensation. The Town is required to pay into the “System”, its share of the remaining system-wide, actuarially determined, contribution plus administration costs, which are apportioned among the employers, based on active covered payroll. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts reimburses the “system” for a portion of the benefit payments for the cost of living increases. The contributions to the “System” for years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$1,374,851, \$1,177,162, and \$1,011,064 respectively, which were equal to its required contributions for each of these years.

Massachusetts Teachers’ Retirement System

Plan members (at varying rates of annual covered compensation) and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts fund contributions to the MTRS. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts contributed “on-behalf” payments to the MTRS totaling \$3,360,016 for fiscal year 2007. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 24, these on-behalf” payments have been recorded in the general fund as intergovernmental revenues and pension expenditures.

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NOTE 12 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Town participates in a number of federal award programs. Although the grant programs have been audited in accordance with the provisions of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 through June 30, 2007, these programs are still subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although it is believed the amount, if any, would not be material.

The Town's landfill was closed in 1996 by order of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The DEP approved the capping construction of the landfill in December 1996. The Town is responsible for post-closure monitoring of the site for thirty years (18 years remaining), and the estimated liability has been recorded in the Statement of Net Assets, Governmental Activities. The \$90,000 reported as landfill post-closure liability at June 30, 2007 is based on what it would cost to perform all post-closure care at June 30, 2007. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology or changes in regulations.

Various legal actions and claims are pending. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual litigated matters is not always predictable. Although the amount of liability, if any, at June 30, 2007, cannot be ascertained, management believes any resulting liability should not materially affect the financial position at June 30, 2007.

NOTE 13 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The Town was required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement #34 to implement the recording infrastructure assets for the periods prior to fiscal year 2003 in fiscal year 2007. The following beginning Governmental Activities Net Assets has been restated to reflect the recording of the general infrastructure assets of the governmental activities for the periods of fiscal year 1980 through 2002.

Description	Total Governmental Activities Net Assets
Balances at June 30, 2006 as previously reported	\$ 67,929,695
To record Governmental Activities Infrastructure:	
Cost	9,359,902
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(5,019,665)</u>
Net additions	<u>4,340,237</u>
Balances at June 30, 2006 as restated	<u><u>\$ 72,269,932</u></u>

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NOTE 14 – IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS

During fiscal year 2007, the following GASB pronouncements were implemented:

The GASB issued **Statement #34**, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*, which was implemented in Fiscal 2003. Under GASB#34, the Town did not have to implement the recording of infrastructure assets until Fiscal 2007. The Town implemented this part of the pronouncement in fiscal 2007 (See **Note 13**).

The GASB issued **Statement #47**, *Accounting for Termination Benefits*, which is required to be implemented in Fiscal 2007. The Town has a very limited termination benefits program that is budgeted for and is not material to the basic financial statements.

Future GASB Pronouncements:

The GASB issued **Statement #43**, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, which is required to be implemented in Fiscal 2008. Since there is no legally established separate trust for the postemployment benefit plan this pronouncement will not impact the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #45**, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, which is required to be implemented in Fiscal 2009. Management believes this pronouncement will require additional disclosure and impact the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #48**, *Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues* which is required to be implemented in FY2008. Since the Town does not sell or pledge receivable or future revenues, this pronouncement will not impact the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #49**, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pollution Remediation Obligations* which is required to be implemented in FY2009. Management does not believe that there are any pollution remediation obligations that will require disclosure and this pronouncement will not have an impact on the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #50**, *Pension Disclosures – an amendment of GASB Statements No. 25 and No. 27*, which is required to be implemented in FY2008. Since the Town does not operate its' own pension plan, this pronouncement will not impact the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #51**, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets* which is required to be implemented in FY2010. Management believes this pronouncement will require additional disclosure, but will not have a material impact on the basic financial statements.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

AUDITORS' REPORT AS REQUIRED BY
OMB CIRCULAR A-133
AND ***GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***
AND RELATED INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

AUDITORS' REPORT AS REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts with the types of compliance requirement described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007. The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' compliance based on our audit

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' compliance with those requirements

In our opinion, Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over compliance.

A *control deficiency* in an entity's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated January 22, 2008. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming our opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Selectmen, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

R. E. Brown & Company

January 22, 2008

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

PROGRAM GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM OR CLUSTER TITLE	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IDENTIFYING NUMBER	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE			
DIRECT PROGRAM FROM: OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (C.O.P.S.)			
PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERSHIPS AND COMMUNITY POLICING GRANTS (COPS MORE)	16.710	98-CM-WX-1344	\$ 3,689
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE:			<u>3,689</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAMS FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
TITLE I - FY 2007	84.010	305-217-7-0025-H	80,185
TITLE I - FY 2006	84.010	305-279-6-0025-G	14,249
SPED 94-142 PROJECT ASSIST - FY 2007	84.027	240-208-7-0025-H	601,936
SPED 94-142 PROJECT ASSIST - FY 2006	84.027	240-010-6-0025-G	10,753
SPED CORRECTIVE ACTION - FY 2006	84.027	252-021-6-0025-G	5,642
MIDDLE SCHOOL READING PROGRAM - FY 2007	84.027	267-027-7-0025-H	4,666
MIDDLE SCHOOL READING PROGRAM - FY 2006	84.027	267-008-6-0025-G	6,231
SPED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - FY 2007	84.027	274-216-7-0025-H	19,171
SPED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - FY 2006	84.027	274-105-6-0025-G	126
TITLE V - FY 2007	84.151	302-253-7-0025-H	1,392
TITLE V - FY 2006	84.151	302-290-6-0025-G	2,479
EARLY CHILDHOOD - FY 2007	84.173	262 BELLINGHAM PUB	26,916
EARLY CHILDHOOD - FY 2006	84.173	262 BELLINGHAM PUB	3,159
DRUG FREE SCHOOLS - FY 2007	84.186	331-210-7-0025-H	6,977
DRUG FREE SCHOOLS - FY 2006	84.186	331-017-6-0025-G	2,222
ENHANCED EDUCATION THROUGH TECHNOLOGY - FY 2007	84.318	160-283-7-0025-H	1,152
TITLE IIA - TEACHER QUALITY - FY 2007	84.367	140-291-7-0025-H	38,183
TITLE IIA - TEACHER QUALITY - FY 2006	84.367	140-239-6-0025-G	25,900
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			<u>851,339</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAMS FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUREAU OF NUTRITION			
FOOD DISTRIBUTION	10.550	11-099	36,110
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM	10.555	11-099	151,976
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			<u>188,086</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT			
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT	14.228	CDF II #5672	312,455
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			<u>312,455</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

PROGRAM GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM OR CLUSTER TITLE	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IDENTIFYING NUMBER	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
U.S. INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM FROM: MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS			
LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT GRANT	45.310		<u>8,408</u>
TOTAL U.S. INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES			<u>8,408</u>
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			
DIRECT PROGRAM:			
ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT	97.044	EMW-2005-FG-01829	<u>39,330</u>
TOTAL DIRECT PROGRAM			<u>39,330</u>
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY			
FFY 05 LOCAL PREPAREDNESS GRANT	97.073		<u>12,000</u>
TOTAL PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM - EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY			<u>12,000</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			<u>51,330</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH			
HOSPITAL BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS GRANT	93.889	1 U3R HS 05952-01-00	<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$ 1,416,307</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting policies and financial reporting practices permitted for municipalities in Massachusetts are prescribed by the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) promulgated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue. The significant accounting policies followed by the Town are as follows:

A. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the Federal grant transactions of the Town. The receipts and proceeds from Federal grants are recorded on the modified accrual basis whereby revenue is recognized when it becomes available and measurable. Disbursements of Federal grant funds are recorded on the accrual basis.

II. SCOPE OF AUDIT

The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts (the Town) is a governmental agency established by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. All operations related to the Town's Federal grant programs, (the Department of Agriculture, Department of Education, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Justice, and the U. S. Institute of Museum and Library Services), are included in the scope of the OMB Circular A-133 Audit Requirements for audits of state and local governments (the Single Audit). The Department of Homeland Security has been designated as the Town's oversight agency for the Single Audit.

III. PERIOD AUDITED

Single audit testing procedures were performed for Town Federal grant transactions during the year ended June 30, 2007.

IV. FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Non-cash contributions of commodities under the Food Distribution program are received under a State distribution formula and are valued at federally published wholesale prices for purposes of this schedule.

V. SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The Town accounts for local, state and federal expenditures of the National School Lunch program in one combined fund. Program expenditures in the accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards represent federal reimbursements for meals provided during fiscal 2007.

VI. SUBRECIPIENTS

The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts passed no federal awards through to subrecipients during the period under audit.

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 22, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Selectmen, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

R. E. Brown & Company

January 22, 2008

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

A. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the basic financial statements of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts.
2. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the basic financial statements are reported in the report on the basic financial statements.
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the basic financial statements of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts were disclosed during the audit.
4. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of major federal award programs are reported in the report on compliance with requirements applicable to each major program and on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.
6. There are no audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 reported in this Schedule.
7. The programs tested as major programs included:

<u>Name</u>	<u>CFDA No.</u>
Community Development Block Grant - State	
Administered Small Cities Program	14.228
Title I Distribution	84.010

8. The threshold used for distinguishing between **Type A** and **B** programs was \$300,000.
9. The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts qualified as a low-risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS – BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT – NONE.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS – MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT – NONE.

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

There were no significant uncorrected prior year findings that affect the current audit.



Commission on Disability

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2007 was a productive year for the Commission on Disability focusing again on education. A donation of educational tapes was made to the Middle School to be used as an educational component in both their computer and wellness classes. A white board, voice recognition recorder and a telesensory viewer were donated to the high school. These tools had been purchased for students who have since graduated and will now be beneficial to any incoming student with either vocal or visual needs.

The year started with the boards involvement with the local EMA (Emergency Management Agency) by funding a town wide survey. The survey was to determine the number of disabled citizens and to understand their specific needs and concerns in case of a disaster.

In February, two board members were asked and had the pleasure of judging a talent show for students with special needs. The show was sponsored by Steps Off Broadway.

The commission also hosted a two day Community Access Monitor Course in June. This course, also known as the CAM Course, is presented by the Massachusetts Office on Disability. Thirty eight people from Bellingham as well as surrounding towns registered for the course. The information in this course is invaluable in helping to make improvements to our communities for accessibilities and advocate for compliance. Members from the high school National Honor Society volunteered their time to help prepare and serve lunch. The evaluations collected from the participants at the end of the course, proved to be favorable.

Latex allergy awareness played a major role in our projects this year. Along with the Board of Health and coordinated by Patrick Callahan, a resident whose children have severe latex allergies, informational packets were sent to all local businesses. The information included the harmful affects latex use can have on both employees and the general public.

On November 1st, an open house was held at the Senior Center. Information was given on programs with which the Commission is involved, including the E911 and RUOK programs, as well as Code Red and EMA. Also on display were the many mobility aid items the commission has purchased to demonstrate to people in need and to help them find and purchase these items for themselves.

Many questions, problems and concerns were brought to the Commission on Disability over the year. We did our best to answer the questions, solve the problems, and help the citizens with disabilities whenever we could.

Respectfully Submitted.

Amy Cook, Ch
Lambert Howe, V Ch.
Richard Martinelli
Louise Arnold
Roberta Platt



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
TOWN HALL
BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02019

2007 Annual Report

The Conservation Commission administers Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 131, section 40, (The Wetlands Protection Act) and as such reviews a variety of applications including Requests for Determination of Applicability, Abbreviated Notices of Intent, Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Delineation, and Notices of Intent. In addition, the Commission meets with proponents, consultants, and other town boards and their consultants to provide guidance and input relative to the specified Interests of The Wetlands Protection Act including private water supply, groundwater supply, flood control, storm damage prevention, prevention of pollution, protection of land containing shellfish, protection of fisheries and protection of wildlife habitat. As part of its duties, the Commission manages its current properties while seeking to expand Conservation Commission holdings by donation, purchase or Conservation Restrictions and implement targeted items in the town's Open Space and Recreation Plan.

In 2007, the Commission had six of the seven positions filled. Members serving on the Commission this year were Chairman, Clifford A. Matthews, Vice Chairman, Barry Lariviere, James P. Hentz, Neal Standley, Lori Fafard, Anne Matthews and part time Conservation Administrator, George C. Holmes. Currently there is one vacancy on the Board.

Our regularly scheduled meetings take place the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the North Community Building, 2 Maple Street and commence at 7:30 PM.

In 2007, the Conservation Commission reviewed a total of the following filings, presentations, and site walks.

3	Requests for Determination of Applicability
0	Abbreviated Notices of Intent
15	Notices of Intent
1	Amendment Requests
4	Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Delineation
11	Information Presentations
6	Site Walks

The Conservation Commission also issued a total of the following permits this year.

3	Determinations of Applicability
18	Orders of Conditions
1	Amended Orders of Conditions
2	Extension Permits
5	Orders of Resource Area Delineation
2	Partial Certificates of Compliance
12	Certificates of Compliance
0	Emergency Certification
1	Enforcement Orders

The Commission wishes to acknowledge and offer thanks to the town administration for their support of the Commission in both aspects of our duties: resource area protection and preservation of open space.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clifford A. Matthews". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Clifford" being more prominent and the last name "Matthews" following in a similar style.

Clifford A. Matthews
Chairman

COUNCIL ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT 2007

The Council Board and staff are committed to providing meaningful activities for those in their later years, and adding programs that will meet the needs of our younger seniors and caregivers. The Council meets monthly and invites everyone to attend and contribute at our public meetings.

The Council on Aging Board (COA) is made up of 11 members appointed to help plan and watch-over programs put into place to meet the needs of our older residents. All citizens at least 60 years of age, according to State guidelines, are members of the Council on Aging. The COA Board advocates on behalf of their members; has a say about the operation of the Senior Center, and acts as an advisory group to the Board of Selectmen. Although it is not required, most of the residents serving on the COA Board are seniors. The Board actively supports the basic needs and social interests of Bellingham's older adult population. Our staff and volunteers are here to assist each resident in anyway needed so that he or she continues to live independently, safely, and comfortably in his or her home while sharing in community life.

Our most important areas of responsibility are Outreach, Transportation and Senior Center Programming. The first category, Outreach, describes what we do to locate seniors in Town that need information, referral, or other assistance, and provide them with access to benefits that they are eligible for or connect them to necessary services. One way we do this is through the monthly newsletter. Currently, **2,200** copies of the COA newsletter, *"The Spirit of Bellingham"* are distributed each month to keep residents informed about activities, benefits and program offerings.

The 4th Annual Craft Fair took place at the Center on a Saturday in November with more than **20** participating small local businesses, artists and craftsmen. This event takes a mighty effort, and many hours of planning and preparation. The turnout this year was a record high. It gave us another chance to welcome new faces and made it possible for residents of all ages to check us out and get acquainted. The Outreach Program also provided a regular friendly visitor to more than **18** homebound and nursing home residents to help reduce isolation and loneliness. And again this year, a birthday card and plant was hand-delivered to each of the more than **75** seniors who celebrated turning ninety or older.

Additional seniors were identified as new clients during the year because of Outreach calls and surveys. There were over **150** residents who were provided service for the first time, and over **5,500** Senior Center phone calls were received requesting information or assistance during our normal hours of operation. **Nine hundred eighty-five** senior residents participated this past year in one or more of our programs, not including trips, along with **125** younger people. Still, many seniors have not participated in our Programs as yet, or visited the new Center. Sometimes, people say they have no idea what programs are available for them or their loved ones. Over the next year, the Director will continue to work to evaluate and strengthen our Outreach Program.

Transportation is a critical need among older adults in the Bellingham area and is our second main category. While our program is provided without a fee, we encourage donations which are used to help defray the cost of vehicles, equipment or outside maintenance and repairs. Rides are

available to residents 60 and older, and younger handicapped citizens who do not drive or do not have any other way to get where they need to go. During this past year, Bellingham began an agreement with the Greater Attleboro Taunton Regional Transportation Authority (GATRA). Seniors made over **6,750** trips during the last year, up from 2,000 trips three years ago. This included rides to medical appointments, food shopping, errands and social activities with our two vehicles and six part-time drivers. People were taken to dialysis, cardiac rehab, chemotherapy, and home after being discharged from the hospital. **One hundred and thirty-five** people depended on our service in 2007; ten were wheelchair bound. We are regularly asked for out-of-town medical transportation to Boston, Worcester, Providence and Framingham. We are able to accommodate all but a very small number of these requests.

Our third category is the Senior Center which is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Fridays from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. During the month, activities take place such as the knitters and quilters groups, canasta, bridge and general card games, line dancing, basic self-defense, tai-chi classes, billiards, golf, bowling, computer instruction, cribbage, yoga, bingo, yogalates, scrabble, a walking club, a basic exercise class, podiatry and blood pressure clinics, guest speakers, meals, monthly birthday parties and dinner-dances, regular legal, financial, and health insurance benefit counseling, as well as TRIAD and Elder Service Group Meetings. **One hundred and sixty-five** people participated in fitness classes, **85** attended community education events, and over **200** took part in retirement and financial planning activities.

Also, in partnership with the Bellingham Arts Center and Cultural Council, weekly open art studio classes, senior chorus, and dancers' exercise classes, as well as regular floral craft and watercolor painting instruction continued to enhance the Center's offerings. Outside, a new front lawn was installed. This was in addition to a beautiful bird-viewing area added to the rear of the Center's grounds the year before and adjacent to our existing gardens, bocce court and horseshoes. Hundreds of travelers went on at least one of the **18** trips offered during the year by our dedicated trip volunteers to the Connecticut casinos as well as to Provincetown, Portland, Atlantic City, Niagara Falls, and Newport.

The Center is also the intake site for both the Fuel Assistance Program and the Prescription Advantage Program for residents of all ages. This year **150** residents were helped either to apply for these programs or supplied with valuable information. Free tax-form preparation was provided by AARP to **130** low and moderate-income residents with special emphasis on service to those 60 years of age and older. VNS blood pressure screenings took place every other month at the Center; and **556** people attended our annual Flu Shot or monthly Podiatry Clinics. Caregivers were offered several workshops concerning Alzheimer's disease and stroke prevention. Four well-attended American Red Cross blood drives were held.

Many of the Center's most popular programs include refreshments or meals. Nearly **3,210** healthy nutritious lunches were served at the Center during the year, in addition to over **3,800** catered meals. Volunteers under the auspices of TVES, Inc.'s Meals-on-Wheels Program delivered **8,050** meals to Bellingham's homebound.

The Center also operates an affordable, non-profit Elderly Supportive Social Daycare Program. This program provides supervised socialization and activities for attendees enabling frail elders

to continue living in the Community who might otherwise be at-risk or inappropriately placed in a nursing home. There is a daily attendance fee and transportation is provided to residents at no cost. Our regional home-care agency, TVES, Inc., can subsidize attendance for those who are income eligible. During the past year, 22 clients attended from one to five days a week. We are proud of this Program. Currently in Massachusetts, only a small number of towns offer Supportive Social Day Programs.

The Council values volunteerism, and expects a high level of commitment, leadership, and service of each other and the Elder Service Board members. Indeed, the 88 current volunteers proved to be essential to the success of our programs, donating over 3,710 hours of service. More than 60 of our volunteers attended a catered banquet in June at the Center, and all volunteers received an award in recognition of service provided during the last two years. In addition, 15 residents participated here at the Center in the Tax Work-Off Program with up to 100 hours of community service each, and earned a reduction in their property tax as a result. As we grow, more volunteer opportunities, recruitment and training must be provided so that those who wish to donate their time and energy feel satisfaction in giving back to the Community, and see positive results from their efforts.

Our closest partner is The Bellingham Elder Service Group (BESG), which was formed to be the COA's Friends' Organization. They are active and hold meetings on the first Tuesday of most months. They sponsor fundraisers to help seniors. In addition to help from the BESG, the COA received donations of **in-kind goods and services valued at over \$30,350 from local agencies, businesses and individuals.**

We thank our legislators, State Representative Jennifer Callahan and Senator Richard Moore for their strong support. We are grateful to the many fine agencies and organizations we call on for help. We worked with our local school and scout organizations, and we aim to increase the number and quality of our intergenerational connections and relationships. Currently, the COA Officers are Gordon Curtis, Chair; Nancy Delfino, 1st Vice-Chair; Yvonne Bartlett, 2nd Vice-Chair, Mary Peluso, Treasurer (who helped edit this report); and Louise Arnold, Secretary. Members-at-large include residents Fred Dehmer, Katherine Detore, Joan Giard, William Monteiro, Rita Tetrault, and Betty Willey.

I completed my second year as Director in October, and thank my staff for their continued dedication and professionalism. I join the COA Board in acknowledging the respect, kindness and generosity shown to our oldest inhabitants by concerned residents, Town employees, and local elected officials. We look forward to continuing our service to the Town, by helping all our fellow residents prepare for the challenges and changes ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura M. DeMattia
Director



**BELLINGHAM CULTURAL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 2007 THROUGH DECEMBER 2007**

MEMBERS:

The members this year are:

Mary C. Healy, Chair; Eileen Jundzil, Secretary; Catherine Rogozyn and Jeremy Ronkin, Co-Grant Coordinators; Lauren Ward, Treasurer; Gilbert Trudeau, Linda Trudeau, Myrna Simonson and Sheila Ronkin.

FUNDING:

This year's funding stayed the same as last year, \$4,700.00. We received 38 grant proposals for \$30,217. Due to the small amount we received we awarded most of the grants to local applicants or programs that would be a benefit to our community for a total of 9 grants.

LCC RECIPIENTS OF THE 2007 (FY 2008) GRANTS:

Bellingham Middle School (3 programs) \$1,000, \$1,455, \$200

Clara Macy Elementary School (1 program) \$500

Gregory Maichach for a program at the Bellingham Library \$200

Elyse O'Connor for a program At the Senior Center, \$300

Stall Brook School (1 program) \$685

Steps Off Broadway Inc., \$500

Total LCC Grants awarded: \$4,840

PASS RECIPIENTS OF THE 2007 (FY 2008) GRANTS:

Bellingham Middle School (1 program) \$360.00

We also re-granted \$500 from grants that were not used.

Total grants awarded were \$5,200

The Cultural Council also offered a \$500 scholarship to a deserving high school student who was furthering their education by attending college. The applications were available at the Bellingham High School, Tri-County High School and Blackstone Valley Technical School. It was awarded to Andrew Migneault of Bellingham High who is now attending Brown University.

The Council hopes to offer another scholarship this year to a Bellingham student.

ART COMPETITION:

The Art Competition and Show was held from June 9 through July 9, 2007. Carol Simonson, the director and curator of the art competitions and private showings at the Bellingham Public Library noted there were 50 adult artists and 18 youths who entered 117 pieces of art. The show was judged by Rick Cardoza, a member of the Franklin Art Association and a Member of the Watercolor Association.

The winners of the competition in various categories were:

Best of Show: Francine Stockley, Providence for "Homeward Bound".

1st Place:

Janice Plasse, N. Smithfield for "Crystals and Fruit"; Gail Eckberg, Norfolk for "Vegetation Vigil"; Mary Kosowski, Smithfield for "Lunaria on Red"; Gert Fowler, Bellingham for "Panda Jacket"; and Matthew Tracy, E. Providence for "Wizard".

2nd Place:

Richard Van Wie, Bellingham for "Sailcraft and Rocks"; Brenda Hutchinson, Franklin for "Sunflower Symphony"; M.A. Jones, Uxbridge for "Panda" Nancy Wildes, Bellingham for "Another Angle, Motif #1"; Pauline Bell, Bellingham for "Lady Em".

3rd Place:

Carolyn Wiedemann, Franklin for "A Day In The Park"; Eleanor Holmes, Millis for "Pink Cyclamen"; Kristy Morrill, Mendon for "Waiting"; Jack Cartwright, Bellingham for "Provincetown From Truro".

Honorable Mentions:

Betty Gagnon, Woonsocket for "An Afternoon Walk"; Richard Van Wie, Bellingham for "Newport Harbor"; Roland Gentes, Bellingham for "Kloe"; William Conway, Franklin for "The Last Picture Show and "The Copper Vase.

Youth Age 9-12:

1st Place:

Christine Meyer, Bellingham for "It's A Dog's Life"

2nd Place:

Lydia Lee, Norfolk for "Fruit Basket"

3rd Place:

Kelly Samia, Bellingham for "Wilderness"

Youth Age 13-17

1st Place:

Carrie Clayton, Franklin for "Getting A Drink"

2nd Place:

Sherlyn Wang, Bellingham for "Florida Sunset"

3rd Place:

Sam Milliken, Bellingham for "Untitled"

Honorable Mention 13-17:

Sarah Talbot, Franklin for "The Willing Well Out For A Spell".

PHOTO COMPETITION SEPTEMBER 2007

The Bellingham Cultural Council's Annual Photo Competition took place in September at the Bellingham Public Library. Carol A. Simonson, curator of the exhibit, noted the competition drew 45 adult artists and 5 youths from ages 13-17. This was an increase of 14 participants from last year. Judging the works was Louise Arnold, a photographer from Bellingham, Mass.

BEST OF SHOW: Jay Galasso, Franklin won with his color entry, titled: "Perfect Pitcher".

COLOR: 1st Place went to Linda Douillette, Woonsocket for "Final Stages"; 2nd Place to Terri Seymour, Bellingham for "Lemon Bubbles"; and 3rd Place to Ann Kane, Bellingham for "High Street, Bellingham".

Honorable Mentions: Joan Callahan, Franklin for "Art In The Making"; Linda Douillette, Woonsocket for "A Rose For Sarah"; Gert Fowler, Bellingham for "Maestro"; Anita Gilbert, Millis for "Lerici Sunflowers"; and "Universal Friendship"; Donald Hogue, Woonsocket for "Portrait of the Artist"; Ann Kane, Bellingham for "Sunset at Keywest"; Holli Thomas, Bellingham for "Into the Horizon" and Kevin Umlauf, Bellingham for "Lake Powell".

BLACK and WHITE: 1ST place went to Andre Bourque, Millis for "Storm's Aftermath"; 2nd Place to Eric Soter, Pascoag for "Paris Jazz 2007"; and 3rd place to Harry Platcow, Milford for "Early Psychoanalyst Couch".

Honorable Mentions: In this category were Amy Hodapp, Millis for "Buoy on Beach"; Ken Wiedemann, Franklin for "The Secret Garden"; and Harry Platcow, Milford for "Hopedale Park Bridge".

PHOTO ILLUSTRATION: 1ST Place to Kevin Umlauf, Bellingham for "Girl Reflecting"; 2nd Place to Andre Bourque, Millis for "Flamenco Guitarist" and 3rd Place to Gordon Goodwin, Milford for "Autumn Scene 2".

Honorable Mentions went to Jay Galasso, Franklin for "Fantasy Train" and Andre Bourque, Millis for "Vase".

AMERICANA: 1st Place went to Ken Wiedemann, Franklin for "Fairbanks Lunch counter"; 2nd Place to Marilynn Fuller, Bellingham for "Late for School" and 3rd Place to Claire Champagne, Bellingham for "Tools of Yesteryear".

Honorable Mentions: In this category are Walt Unruh, Hopedale for "Amtrak Doesn't Stop Here"; Sandy Burns, Medway for "Ahh, Tomatoes" and Billie Manning, Hopedale for "Field of Flags".

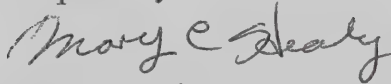
YOUTH DIVISION: 1st Place went to Becky Galasso, Franklin for "Twilight Flyby"; 2nd Place to Erik Jensen, Bellingham for "The Dragonfly" and 3rd Place to Laura Trottier, Franklin for "Taking a Break".

Honorable Mentions: In this division went to Lindsey Jensen, Bellingham for "Out of this World" and Alyssa Culver, Woonsocket for "Graveside Tree".

The Bellingham Cultural Council also presented an exhibition of the works of a local artist, Lisa Grunewald Bailey. A Franklin resident, Lisa works and teaches in watercolor, acrylic, oil, colored pencil as well as pen and ink. This exciting exhibit showcased Lisa's love of nature, vibrant color pallet, sense of movement and attention to detail. The "Showcase Lisa Grunewald Bailey" was on display at the Bellingham Library in the Community Room from November 3rd through December 1st during library hours. An opening reception was held on November 3rd and was open to the public.

Attached is a report from Linda Trudeau, the Art Director for the Art Center.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary C. Healy
Chairman,
Bellingham Cultural Council

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Bellingham Arts Center

2007 Town Report

The inter-generational art programs for 2007 continue to thrive with two new additions. The innovative "Motion in Music" and "Open Art" along with the Bellingham Community Concert Chorus met weekly at the Bellingham Senior Center. These offerings are weekly activities open to those eighteen and older. The Children's Chorus and the Community Concert Chorus were under the direction of Nicholas LaRoche and Linda Trudeau. The senior chorus sang for the BWOT Santa's Elves telethon as well as the Environmental Art Program and Macy and Stall Brook schools. They also performed on local radio, at the COA Senior Dinner program, the town's Memorial Day observance on the Town Common and for residents of Wrentham Manor and Depot Court in addition to the Bellingham/Franklin Lions' Club hosted Holiday Party and concert for seniors and daycare seniors. The group also sang at the Town Common 10th anniversary celebration.

Thanks to the efforts of Don Dimartino of the DPW and Lori Fafard, Water Administrator, grants were secured which funded free environmental art and music programs for children during the summer months. Projects created by children in these programs were then included in presentations to classes in local schools.

The "Lunch Box Art" program allowed parents, grandparents and caregivers to bring children to the Town Common for free art activities during the summer.

Art center students of all ages including children who participated in the art center's art programs displayed their work in an art exhibit and reception held at the Public library.

The BAC once again held a music recital and art exhibit featuring works by seniors as well as younger students at Steps Off Broadway thanks to the generosity of Keith Mattola and Raymond Larousseau who provided their building for this event

Mrs. Trudeau and the Bellingham Art Center worked extensively with the staffs of Steps Off Broadway and Woonsocket's Stadium Theater in support of local artists involved in productions at those venues as well as promoting and hiring local talent to teach programs at the Art Center. Two new teachers were added to the staff during 2007 which now totals 8 with 3 assistants.

The Art Center, under the direction of Linda Trudeau, continues to work with patrons ranging in age from four to the elderly. High school students and recent graduates pursuing art based careers provide their time and efforts by teaching in a tremendously successful summer program.

The Center continues its tradition of serving as a catalyst for additional programs to meet the needs of the Bellingham community by assisting in town projects such as the Fall Pumpkin Patch, and the Town-wide Fourth of July celebration by providing art, crafts, face painting, prizes and, periodically, concerts.

The Bellingham Art Center has initiated a series of art, craft and instructional programs which can be seen on ABMI Cable 8 sponsored by the Bellingham Cultural Council.

The Bellingham Arts Center has the distinction of offering all programming to town residents free of charge thanks to the Town of Bellingham, the Bellingham Cultural Council, grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Bellingham DPW and the support of the Bellingham Senior Center and State Representative Jennifer Callahan.

Bellingham, Massachusetts 02019

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January 14, 2008

Mrs. Linda Trudeau
20 Westminster Ave
Bellingham, MA 02019

Dear Linda,

Thank you on behalf of the Bellingham Council on Aging and other seniors that have benefited by one or more of the many ongoing programs you have put into operation here for senior residents during the last year as Director of the Bellingham Arts Center.

The weekly Open Art Studio classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays' Chorus and Motion to Music classes, the monthly Floral Craft classes, and the fun performances here, at Steps Off-Broadway, Senior Housing and elsewhere have been great. I especially enjoy the involvement of the different age groups. The seniors get a big kick out of entertaining with the kids.

We appreciate your ongoing commitment to our seniors and the community. More than sixty-five residents enrolled here during the last year alone, and at the Center there has been a positive response to the programs that you have implemented.

Sincerely,

Laura M. DeMattia

Laura M. DeMattia
Director

Cc: COA, LCC

BELLINGHAM FINANCE COMMITTEE

TOWN ANNUAL REPORT 2007

Department Heads and citizens of Bellingham are all aware of the dire financial outlook for the State of Massachusetts. The State made cuts to all areas of local funding. Surrounding communities have been hit harder by the cuts to local aid and because of the careful financial planning of our Chief Financial Officer Bellingham has been fortunate enough to come out of this without major devastation to our town services. We have curbed spending and asked all department heads had to tighten their belts. All departments heeded the warnings from the Town Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and the Finance Committee.

Town citizens were faced with the highest gasoline prices in this country's history, the highest heating costs ever recorded creating a financial crisis for all families in our community. The cost of maintaining our buildings has skyrocketed, as well. Each year has been more difficult to operate within the budgeted set by our Town Meetings.

The State remains wary of the immediate financial picture so the Town of Bellingham must remain on guard, spending reserve funds frugally and making well informed decisions at Town Meeting. The Finance Committee Members are committed to researching the Town's needs, advising the citizens with sound financial recommendations, and ever mindful that the welfare of the Town of Bellingham is at stake.

The Finance Committee held meetings with all Town Departments before setting the proposed operating budget for the Annual Town Meeting. The cooperation and assistance of all Administrators was greatly appreciated. Departments held to current staffing, some departments losing staff to attrition, and replacements were not forthcoming. Financially, all departments took hits and we continue to ask our department heads to seek alternate ways of addressing their needs.

The Finance Committee would like to thank all departments for being cognizant of the financial hard times and for heeding the request to level fund. The Finance Committee understands that the Town must meet contractual obligations and still maintain services, but we also must live within the budget. As we begin the FY2009 budget process, we will again be focusing on fiscal constraints.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary E. Maynard, Chairman
Roland A. Lavallee, Vice-Chairman
Tony Picariello, Clerk/Member
Joseph E. Collamati, Jr.
Carol M. Dill
Henri J. Masson
Raymond J. Szczepan



Town of Bellingham

OFFICE OF THE

Fire Department

January 16, 2008

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

PERMANENT PERSONNEL

Fire Chief Richard Ranieri*
Deputy Steven Garon

LIEUTENANTS

Michael Delorme*, Joseph Robidoux*, Steven Gentile*,
Chris Milot**, Eric Provost*

PRIVATEES

Joseph Deslauriers*, Christopher Mach**, Joseph Altomonte**,
Joseph Manning*, William Bennett*, Neil Coakley**, Daniel
Donovan**, Gregory Prew**, Paul Lachapelle**, Kevin Haley**
John Glennon**, Peter Nay **, James Perry**, Bethany Cloutier**,
Victor DaCosta**

CALL PERSONNEL

Robert Harpin, Ernest Hadley, Jane Malo*, Chris Kent*

** denotes Emergency Medical Technician*

***denotes Paramedic*

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

The department responded to 20 building fires; 19 appliance fires; 9 box alarms; 47 vehicle assistance calls; 269 investigations; 55 outside fires; 35 details; and gave fire mutual aid to Franklin-6; Mendon-9;

Woonsocket-5; Milford-2; Hopedale-3; Blackstone-1; and Wrentham-2. Fire mutual aid was received from Franklin-7; Medway-3; Milford-6; State forestry-2; Blackstone-1; Hopedale-1 and Woonsocket-5. Rescue calls were 1,295.

Total calls for 2007 were 3,028 compared to 3,140 for 2006; 3,037 for 2005; 2,590 for 2004; 2,432 for 2003; and 2,453 for 2002. The department issued 1,226 permits after inspection. The total is inclusive of these.

Building fires were broken down as follows: 10-house; 3-chimney fires; 3-commercial buildings; shed/garage-1; elderly complex-1; and school-2. The causes of the above fires were as follows: Heating devices-4 (this includes fires caused by woodstoves, fireplaces, chimneys, etc.); electrical-6; cooking-4; misuse of heat-lab experiment-1; careless disposal of smoking materials-3; and overheated equipment-2.

Box Alarms were broken down as follows: accidental/malfunction-9.

Appliance fires were broken down as follows: motors-5; cooking equipment-2; heating systems-10; dryer-1; dishwasher-1.

Vehicle assistance calls were broken down as follows: spills-29; car fires-9; truck fires-2; extrication-2; Lifeflight-5.

Rescue calls were broken down as follows: 960 medical emergencies; 161 motor vehicle accidents; 23 miscellaneous and 151 mutual aid. TO: Franklin-64; Blackstone-1; Medway-2; Woonsocket-4; Mendon-3; Milford-4; Wrentham-1; and Hopedale-1. FROM: Franklin-42; Woonsocket-18; Blackstone-4; Mendon-4; and Medway-3.

Fire calls increased by 42 over 2006. Rescue calls decreased by 41 for a net increase of 1 over 2006. Inspections and permits were down by 113 due in large part to the slow down in the construction industry.

INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS

Deputy Garon supervised inspection duties. Inspections were made of businesses and where needed corrections were recommended. The workload for plan reviews, inspections and permits continues to be very time consuming. Deputy Garon and Lt. Milot reviewed numerous plans. There were permits issued as follows: oil storage-63; install smoke detectors-260; propane storage-63; install fire suppression systems-43; install fire alarm systems-66; install AST/UST-13; storage of flammable/combustible liquids-9; welding-19; blasting-0; fireworks

display-1; tank truck-4; tank removals-28; FP 290 -4; dumpster-59; and miscellaneous-10; and CO detectors-196.

In addition to the above permits, 388 open burning permits were issued. There are several construction projects underway and others in the various planning stages. The Department was busy reviewing and inspecting several bars and nightclubs to assure compliance with Chapter 148 26G-1/2 which had an effective date of 11/15/07. Since the deadline one of the businesses that had to install the sprinkler system had a fire which was controlled by one sprinkler head activating. Without the sprinkler system, the damage would have been major and possibly closed the business for some time.

There is a proposal in front of the Town for a major development housing 80 to 100 shops, restaurants and parking facilities behind Home Depot on Hartford Avenue. This will have a major impact on the department in terms of response, call volume increase, response times, etc. As I suggested last year, a staffing plan to increase personnel and staff a fire station in North Bellingham area is going to need to be addressed. The Town should have the developer contribute funding to address the needs.

It is a proven fact that inspection of businesses throughout the year by fire personnel has helped keep the incidents of fire in these establishments to a minimum. All local businesses are to be commended for their cooperation in trying to make their places of business violation free for the safety of their employees and patrons.

FIRE PREVENTION, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND EDUCATION

All schools were inspected and the required four fire drills were held. Public Education Co-ordinator Christopher Mach continues to go to the elementary schools to reinforce the "Learn Not To Burn" curriculum. The cooperation of the teaching staff and the School Administration has been superb allowing the program to be successful. Chief Ranieri filed the S.A.F.E. grant application for FY 07 and the Town received \$3,107. 00 to be used for Fire Safety education in the schools.

The program for high school seniors was continued again this year. The program covered fire hazards of college dormitory living.

In addition to the above program a "Mock Accident" was conducted for the senior class. It was well received and touched upon the problem of drinking and driving. I want to thank all who participated including high school staff, students, Cartier Funeral Home and the District Attorney's office. It was a realistic portrayal from the extrication of the "victims", transportation in a hearse, wake, funeral, etc. I hope that all students

came away with a better understanding of how this affects all involved including family, classmates, and teachers.

The department participated in "Touch a Truck" at St. Brendan's Church as well as offered demonstrations at Home Depot and Wal Mart.

The Chief wishes to caution all residents with woodstoves and other solid fuel heating devices that maintenance and periodic cleaning of these and other heating device is critical. Residents are also cautioned against placing hot ashes into combustible containers as well as placing combustibles too close to hot surfaces. Never use flammable or combustible liquids to light a fire in a woodstove or fireplace.

The Chief wishes to remind residents that fire personnel are available to speak at meetings of various social and professional groups. To obtain a speaker call the fire station at 966-1112 several weeks in advance of the desired date to make arrangements with the Chief.

VEHICLES, PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING

Call Firefighter Robert Harpin retired from the department this year. He served as a call firefighter, ambulance attendant, and fire alarm lineman during his 46 years of service. His dedicated service to the Town was truly appreciated and he will be missed. I wish him and his wife Sandy well and hope they enjoy their retirement.

Firefighter Victor DaCosta was appointed from a call to a full-time firefighter in April. He has completed the firefighter recruit training at the MA Firefighting Academy.

Personnel received training for defibrillator recertification requirements under the direction of EMS Co-ordinator Lt. Steven Gentile.

Department members participated in educational classes at the Mass. Firefighting Academy. Several members attended an educational seminar in Duxbury.

Lieutenants conducted in service training for department members which included live burns at the Milford Fire Department Training tower. Members of the department received Incident Command training in ICS 700, 100 and 200. Chief Ranieri and Deputy Garon received additional training in ICS 300 and 400.

Firefighters Paul Lachapelle, Kevin Haley and John Glennon completed the Fire Officer I training course at the MA Fire Academy. This provides the knowledge and skills to function at the company officer level. I would

like to commend all the personnel that have continued their education so as to perform at a more professional level.

Deputy Garon successfully completed the Chief Fire Officer Management Training Program conducted by the MA Fire Academy in conjunction with the University of MA, Donahue Institute.

The department encourages businesses to consider purchasing a Knox Box for their respective businesses. This method of key control allows fire department personnel access to the business in off-hours to provide emergency services.

I submitted a request to add four (4) more full-time personnel in the FY 2008 budget. The Selectmen due to budget constraints voted down that request. I will be re-submitting that request again in the FY 2009 budget. In addition I would like to fill the position vacated by the retirement of Ernest Hadley. That opening was not authorized to be filled by the Board of Selectmen due to budget constraints. The department continues to run with minimal staffing. Many off duty full time members do not come back for recalls for emergencies leaving the response at a dangerous level at times.

BUILDINGS

The Town needs to look at beginning the process of replacing the outlying fire stations. Both buildings are not large enough to accommodate the larger apparatus and equipment being built today. In addition there are no living facilities at either station, which poses a problem. With the commercial growth in the north end of Town some consideration may need to be given to staffing the north fire station. The call volume in that area has increased. In addition, trying to get through Hartford Ave. traffic has become even more problematic. The heavy traffic congestion has reduced response times to the northern end of Town.

OTHER

The department turned in the sum of \$525,959.12 to the Town Treasurer for 2007. The amount is broken down as follows: Smoke detector (new construction)-\$1,500.00; smoke detector (resale)-\$4,500.00; install fire alarm systems-\$1,425.00; reinspection fees-\$1,070.00; oil burner fees \$2,425.00; fire and rescue reports-\$200.00; propane storage-\$1,500.00; 21E reports-\$280.00; FP 290-\$75.00; tank truck permits-\$125.00; install fire suppression systems-\$1,100.00; outside detail fees-\$68.25; miscellaneous \$586.06; blasting-\$ 0; open burning-\$2,110.00; welding

permits-\$475.00; outside details-\$1,421.92; Fire Code Violation tickets-\$2,100.00; Fire Prevention gift account-\$100.00; trash compactor permits-\$1,325.00; Fire Rescue Gift Acct.-\$125.00; remove underground tanks- \$25.00; CO detector fees-\$4,900.00; fireworks display-\$25.00 and ambulance receipts-\$498,497.89.

The Chief urges residents to install, maintain, and periodically test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. It has been proven time and time again that the early warning provided by smoke detectors helps in allowing occupants time to escape. It also results in earlier notification of the fire and may help in reducing fire damage.

In closing, I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator Denis Fraine, other Town Departments and Boards for their assistance. Particular appreciation goes to Deputy Garon, Deb Delarda, and all the firefighters both permanent and call, for their cooperation in my efforts to better serve the citizens of Bellingham.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. RANIERI
Fire Chief



Bellingham Historical Commission

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Bellingham, MA 02019

Annual Report

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen

The year 2007 brought many changes to the Bellingham Historic Commission and Museum. It was very difficult to conduct business on a regular schedule. The museum building constructed in the 1930's as a library was in need of many improvements. Our sewer disposal system needed to be upgraded. Our old furnace heating system was always out of service and needed continuous repairs. That has been fixed. New doors and windows have been installed. We still have a basement flooding problem and that is now being corrected. It has been a tough year. But thanks to Denis Fraine our Town Administrator all of our problems have been corrected.

The Bellingham Historic Commission has been given space in the old Town Hall to be used as a historical research lab. We have purchased a new computer and extremely rare research books on local history to be used in that facility.

We are saddened by the resignation of our long time member, Elizabeth Andrews. She has served as treasurer and writer of the Crimpville Comments. Her dedication and commitment to our cause of local historical preservation will truly be missed.

This years historical appreciation award was presented to Diana Crooks. She has volunteered to help the historic committee in many ways. Diana has helped with the labeling, mailing and delivery of the Crimpville Comments. She has also helped with cleaning the museum and hosting certain events. Her help has been greatly appreciated.

Our special thanks go out to the Highway and Parks Department for helping with our moving projects. We would also like to thank Anne & Frank Morse for letting us store our two antique fire trucks at their facility and we would also like to thank Paul Hurd for helping maintain those trucks. Our thanks go out to everyone for their continued support in helping us preserve some of Bellingham's past.

Ernest Taft
Marcia Crooks
Florence McCracken
Priscilla Compton
Danielle Fisher
Peter Morelli



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Bellingham:

The following permits were issued during the year 2007:

PURPOSE	AMT.	EST. COST	FEES COLLECTED
RESIDENTIAL			
Single Family Dwellings	15	3,838,575.00	36,519.
Condo Units			
Additions	39	1,169,303.	9,559.
Accessories	118	630,725.	6,454.
Repair, Remodel, Renovations	196	2,287,251.	19,642.
Occupancies	25	0	625.
Foundations	21	0	2,100.
Demolition	11	186,300.	576.
Home Occupation Licenses			
Sign			
Temporary Storage Trailer			
Temporary Mobile Home			
Residential Totals	425	\$8,112,154.	\$74,032.


COMMERCIAL			
New Buildings	5	3,735,000.	55,680.
Foundations	3	20,000.00	700.
Accessorie	5	108,850.	1,059.
Alterations	2	1,544,471	22,600.
Tenant Fit-Ups	2	58,000.	830.
Repair, Remodel, Renovations	14	556,676.	4,732.
Signs	17	47,945.	1,565.
Demolition	5	66,600.	666.
Temp. Fence	2	2,700.	675.
Temporary Trailers	15	0	12,375.
Occupancies	2		75.
Temporary Sign	4	775.	555.
Temp. Tent	3	68,000.	1,090.
Additions	1	540,000.	7,600.
Totals for Commercial	80	\$6,749,017.00	\$110,857.00
INDUSTRIAL			
Accessories	3	51,065.	520.
Foundations	1		100.
Trailers	1		900.
Occupancies	1		75.
Tenant Fit-up	1	20,000.	200.
Totals for Industrial	7	\$71,065.00	\$1,795.00
RES., COMM., & IND. TOTAL	512	\$14,932,236.	\$186,684.

Building Code Violations, Construction without Permits and Cease and Desist orders were taken care of immediately.

Monthly census reports were sent to the United States Government Department of Commerce Reports of permits issued are sent to the Assessors' Office. All fees are collected directly at the Office of Inspectional Services and forwarded to the Treasurer's Office on a daily basis.

The Office of Inspectional Services are open Monday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Tuesday – Thursday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM and Friday from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM for all building, electrical, plumbing, and gas permits.

Respectfully submitted,


Stuart S. LeClaire, Building Commissioner



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The State Reclamation &
Mosquito Control Board



Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project

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Town of Bellingham

2007 REPORT OF THE NORFOLK COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The operational program of the Project integrates all proven technologies into an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) system of mosquito control and vector management that is rational, environmentally sensitive and cost effective.

All mosquito eggs need water to hatch and to sustain larval growth.

Water Management Activities: An important component of our IPM approach is the management of shallow, standing, stagnant water, and the maintenance of existing flow systems which if neglected can contribute to mosquito breeding. In addition to normal drainage system maintenance, Project personnel advised residents on removal of water holding artificial containers on their property for the purpose of eliminating potential West Nile virus mosquito breeding habitat.

Drainage ditches checked/cleaned	8,105 feet
Culverts checked /cleaned	26 culverts
Brush obstructing drainage cut	830 feet
Water Management by wide-track backhoes	1,540 feet

Larval Control: Treatment of mosquito larvae during aquatic development is the next most effective control effort. The products used during these applications were Bti and Methoprene.

Aerial larvicide applications	556 acres
Larval control using briquette & granular applications	19.2 acres
Rain Basin treatments using briquettes (West Nile virus control)	1,035 basins

Adult Control: The suppression of flying adult mosquitoes becomes necessary when they are numerous, annoying, and/or threaten public health. The product used during these applications was Sumithrin.

Adult control aerosol applications from trucks	2,736 acres
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Surveillance: Surveys, inspections, and monitoring in support of our program include GIS mapping of breeding areas, larval and adult collections, and fieldwork evaluations leading to better water management. West Nile virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis have been active in Norfolk County over the past several years which has resulted in an expansion of the surveillance program in collaboration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH), State Laboratory Institute. MDPH has requested that the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project expand mosquito surveillance across the county for the purpose of detecting viruses in collected mosquitoes as an early warning system for the residents of the county. Considerable manpower has been reallocated to these efforts, which is not reflected in this report.

Respectfully submitted,  John J. Smith, Director



BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD

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January 10, 2008

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

2007 proved to be a busy year for the Planning Board. The Planning office and staff moved from the old white house at 5 Common Street to the newly improved and remodeled Town Hall at 2 Mechanic Street. Roland Laprade and Moe Dalpe put many hours into recreating the feel of the historic town hall, but with the modern systems needed to run an efficient office.

Members Roland Laprade and Tom Guerin left the Board after many years of service and two new members, Stephen Bartha (former Associate member) and Patricia Buckley were elected. John Sexton was nominated as the new Associate member. On May 10, 2007, the Board was organized as follows: Brian Sutherland, Chairman; Glenn Wojcik, Vice-Chairman; Stephen Bartha, Secretary; Patricia Buckley, Member; Dave Brown Member; John Sexton, Associate Member. The office staff consisted of Stacey Wetstein, Town Planner, Mary Chaves, Coordinator and senior volunteers, Mary Egan and Mary DeBonise. In addition to duties as Coordinator, Mary Chaves acts as the SWAP (Southwest Advisory Planning group) representative and the Bellingham representative at all Metropolitan Area Planning Council meetings.

The Planning Board held 20 meetings in 2007. Total fees collected toward the General Fund were \$22,978.20. During the year, the following actions were taken:

- 81-P's, Form A, Approval Not Required - 3 total: 3 approved.
- Preliminary Subdivision - 1 total: 1 approved.
- Definitive Subdivisions - 5 total: 4 approved with conditions; 1 still under review.
- Special Permits - 6 total: 2 approved with conditions; 1 denied; 3 still under review.
- Development Plan Approval - 8 total: 4 approved with conditions; 1 denied, 3 still under review.
- Site Plan Review - 2 total: 2 approved.
- Scenic Road Permit - 1 total: 1 approved.
- Public Hearings for Zoning Amendments - 6 total: 5 recommended to Town Meeting.
- Public Hearings for Procedural Rules amendments - 1 total: 1 approved.
- Public Hearing for Street Acceptance - 2 total: 2 recommended.
- Extension and Modification Requests for Existing Permits - 2 total: 2 approved.
- Lot Release Requests - 1 total: 1 approved.
- Bond Release Requests - 3 total: 3 approved.

During 2007, the Planning Board continued to work with the Department of Public Works to improve upon our stormwater regulations. The Board approved updated stormwater management policies that complied with state and federal regulations for erosion control and operation and maintenance plans. The updated stormwater regulations were compiled into a new Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Handbook available on the Planning Board website.

The Planning Board, in conjunction with the Board of Selectman and the Pulaski Boulevard Mixed Use Overlay, brought forth a zoning amendment for a mixed use overlay district along Pulaski Boulevard to both the Annual Spring Town Meeting and the Special October Town Meeting. Unfortunately, although the initiatives passed with a majority vote, there was not the two-thirds majority needed for approval. Despite this, the discussion that the overlay district generated helped to bring to the Town's attention the condition of the business district along Pulaski Boulevard and the opportunities and options for redevelopment in that area.

One initiative that did pass successfully at the Annual Spring Town Meeting was the passage of a policy change for the review and submission of final As-Built plans for projects. Now the Department of Public Works will handle all final site inspections, for such items as signage, landscaping and lighting, prior to the issuance of any occupancy certificate. This checks and balance system will help ensure that projects are constructed as approved.

The Planning Board successfully distributed the entire \$40,000 that the Dunkin Donuts Northeast Distribution Center project donated toward noise mitigation. Approximately 23 residents along Depot Street and Hartford Avenue received up to \$1,982.42 to help offset the costs of fencing, windows, and air conditioning units installed to decrease the impact of noise from the trucks coming from and going to the facility on Depot Street.

The Planning Board's regular office hours of Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM and Friday from 9 AM to 1 PM continued to be busy with the office staff answering a steady flow of questions for residents, developers and other professionals on the phone, through email and in person. The Planning Board operates from the office at 2 Mechanic Street, in the old Town Hall. Planning Board meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month in the Municipal Center, unless otherwise posted.

We look forward to serving the Town of Bellingham in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD

Brian J. Sutherland, Chairman
Glenn Wojcik, Vice Chairman
Stephen Bartha, Secretary
Dave Brown
Patricia Buckley
John Sexton, Associate

BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD OFFICE STAFF
Stacey Wetstein, Town Planner
Mary Chaves, Coordinator

BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR 2007

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Bellingham:

PERMITS ISSUED IN 2007

MONTH	PERMITS ISSUED	AMOUNT RECEIVED
January	24	\$4708.50
February	27	2070.
March	26	1200.
April	16	810.
May	55	5165.
June	37	3230.
July	30	2440.
August	25	2220.
September	22	1510.
October	37	4080.
November	28	1960..
December	26	1850.
Total Received	353	\$31,243.50

I wish to thank all Town Officials for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger E. Gaboury (signature)

Roger E. Gaboury
Inspector of Plumbing & Gas



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CHIEF OF POLICE
GERARD L. DAIGLE

As Chief of Police, I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Bellingham Police Department for the year ending December 31, 2007.

Our once small, farm land community, continues to grow on a daily basis. The challenges in running the Police Department become greater every day. We are essentially doing more with less, and at the same time providing the quality service that is expected by our taxpayers.

Managing of any department or business has changed over the years. The administrative side of Policing is a major task in our day and age due to liability, training, policies, procedures, homeland security, and a host of other issues not dealt with years ago to the degree that we have to work on today.

On the operational side, our Police Officers deserve a lot of credit for the job they do, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Being on the front lines, they experience the best and the worst that our community has to offer. I think much of the time, this is taken for granted by us all.

As Chief, I feel it is my duty and obligation to speak on the welfare of the Officers on the department. Their safety and well being is crucial to us all. Budget cutbacks have made their job even more dangerous, by reducing the number of Officers out on the street able to provide back up for each other in a timely manner on serious calls and situations.

This year we went through a period where 3 Officers were out on injury leave at one time. What has happened is that the more we cut back on manpower, the more hours the remaining Officers need to work to make up the difference. Therefore these Officers are more likely to be more tired, and in my opinion, more likely to get hurt.

We then have to pay for them to be out on injury leave, and at the same time fill their respective shifts with other Officers at time and one half. So, what are we saving? Manpower issues are of vital importance right now, and our calls for service will continue to rise as our community continues to grow. It's not rocket science.

We must look at the proposals on the table that are being looked at as we speak, which include the building of another plaza or mall in our already over congested North end of Town. How are we going to handle the extra work load that this is going to place on our already strapped Police, Fire and D.P.W. workers?

Also, manpower shortages go against the very premise of what we have been striving to get our Officers on the street to do. That is to get out and interact with the public, and get back into the neighborhoods as part of the Community Policing concept that has been brought back over the last few years.

Officers needing to run from call to call, and having no time to spend in various areas of our community negates the primary goal behind all we've worked for in terms of the Community Policing initiatives.

All the way down from the Federal, State, to Local levels, cuts have been pushing us back and undoing everything we've worked hard to achieve in terms of the service we provide. It's nice to have Officers trained in Incident Command to run command posts in times of disasters or emergencies, (as mandated), but if you don't have any manpower and equipment, what good is it?

The priorities need to be studied and examined, and decisions need to be made soon, about what exactly we are going to focus on. Police, Fire and D.P.W in our community have taken substantial hits over the last 5 or 6 years in budget cuts. We have to sit back and wonder when this is going to catch up with us as our community continues to grow and grow.

As part of the everyday management of the department, we must somehow plan for, and try to address these changing needs not only of our community, but also of our department. At the same time we must juggle funds and make the day to day operation of our departments function the best it can.

Once again, the need to preserve programs and the current number of Officers on the department is crucial. Further cutbacks could mean the end of some very vital and important programs that we have in place.

As officers get closer to retirement time, as managers we must try to shuffle things around to make them work the best we can or the most efficiently. We must plan ahead mostly because we don't know when these financially tough times are going end, and if so when? We must look at what we would do with fewer officers, or how we can manage more efficiently what we have.

One major thing done this year as we plan for upcoming changes was the reassignment of some Officers and reorganization of the Department.

Detective Sergeant Richard Perry was taken out of detectives and reassigned to Patrol. This was done to place the six remaining sergeants on the patrol shifts, and to better manage the use of the supervisors out on the streets. Sgt. Perry is to be congratulated for doing a great job in running the Detective office over the last several years.

Officer Jennifer Gosselin has been assigned to the Detective Bureau as the Town's first female Detective. Officer Gosselin has been assigned to work with Detective John McLaughlin, and both Officers have done a great job in working together in that capacity.

We must not forget our need in the years to come for a new Police Facility. This must remain one of our goals in addition to restoring lost manpower. Having been built in the early 60's, our station has definitely seen its better days. We must wisely plan for the future and make this a priority for the Town which would not only benefit our Police Officers, but our citizens as well.

We all know times are tough out there, but we shouldn't fail to plan for the future of our Police Department. We find that most people don't understand the issues facing our various Town Departments, but still expect you to be there when they need you.

Most people seem amazed when told that on the average day, there are 3 Police Officers out on the streets, answering calls for service and protecting our citizens as the Town continues to grow and the calls for service grow along with it.

In closing, I wish to thank my administrative staff (Captain, Lieutenant, and Secretaries) along with the Sergeants and all the Officers of the Department for another great year. I'd also like to thank the members of our Aux. Police force, and our Town Administrator and Chief Financial Officer, and members of the Board of Selectmen, for all their assistance again this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerard L. Daigle
Chief of Police
Bellingham Police Department

January 11, 2008

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

I think the health of our civilization, the depth of our awareness about the underpinnings of our culture and our concern for the future can all be tested by how well we support our libraries. ~Carl Sagan, Cosmos

Honorable Selectmen:

Once again the 2007 report proves that the library is not just a place to borrow books; it is a state-of-the-art facility with capable and experienced staff that provides enrichment to the cultural, educational and leisure lives of Bellingham residents. This report reflects the essential and indispensable role the library plays in this community. The library trustees and staff greatly appreciate the community support that Bellingham offers its library. The library's mission continues to be to achieve exemplary customer satisfaction through service, programming, outreach, communications, marketing and collection development while still maintaining the town's excellent library facility. An excellent staff was once again dedicated to serving the informational, educational and cultural needs of the Bellingham community. The library staff continued to work hard to maintain its facility and started plans to improve two areas of the building and grounds: (1) a technical services room upgrade is underway due to the help of Town Carpenter, Roland Laprade, and (2) a landscaping plan has been designed with the hope that plans are underway in the fall of 2008.

The library became busier month after month with library visitors of all ages. The number of library card holders once again increased. The library had over 98,000 visitors in 2007, up from 2006. This is over 8000 visitors per month. The library's website had nearly 2,000,000 hits, averaging over 150,000 per month. Through the efficient library website, www.bellinghamlibrary.org, patrons find answers to a myriad of questions, they request and renew books, they access available databases, they browse the library catalog, they inspect the library's list of newest acquisitions, they access their own Reading History, they peruse scores of photographs taken of library events, they consult with an interactive library calendar, they print PDF versions of library policies and forms, they read the library's newsletter or they find out about past, current and future library events. This year the library included a Newsletter Request on the library web site and library staff emails the newest version of the newsletter hot off the press directly to interested patrons.

Circulation (books checked out, renewed or sent to other town libraries) rose significantly to over 122,982 items per year in 2007. Library staff continued to add more of the materials most requested by Bellingham patrons: unabridged audiobooks on compact disk, Playaways, dvds, learning-to-read materials, large-print books and second and third and fourth copies of bestselling books.

All library patrons enjoy access to many databases through the library's affiliation and membership with and in the *Central Massachusetts Regional Library System*, the *Central/Western Massachusetts Automated Resource Sharing* network and the *Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners*. (CMRLS, C/WMARS and MBLC, respectively.) These databases provide users, including students and researchers, access to magazine and newspaper articles, reference book entries, profiles, and statistics on a wide variety of subjects. They are available through the library computers as well as remotely through the home or office computer by typing in the patron's Bellingham Public Library card number. Membership in the automated network and the regional system also makes possible the requests and delivery of library materials from all other libraries to Bellingham patrons. Over 7,000 items a year are received from other libraries in our C/WMARS consortium for Bellingham patrons.

The library continues to offer free **Wi-Fi** (wireless fidelity) to patrons in the library and those using our community room along with the other technical hardware on loan: laptop, projector, VCR, CD and DVD players and an automated projector screen. We offer eleven Internet computers and three word processing computers for public use. During January through December 2007 over 13,392 library visitors signed up to use our Internet computers at the library; this number does not reflect the additional Wi-Fi use of laptops and mobile devices.

The Bellingham Public Library became more of a community center with each passing month of 2006. From local mothers' groups, toddler and infant playgroups, Girl Scout, Brownie, Daisy and Boy Scout troops to business networking organizations, town committees, volunteer organizations and homeowners associations, the library's Community Room saw greater and greater use in 2007. The library provides the room and its facilities as a free service to non-profit organizations in the area. The Bellingham Cultural Council hosted four fine art shows during the year in the library's community room.

The library worked hard to spread its message far and wide in 2007 and splashed the local news weekly in 2007 with articles and photographs highlighting children's, teens' and adult programming. Quarterly newsletters were distributed through the town offices, senior center and the school system. The Fall edition was sent to 7000 homes and businesses in Bellingham. Local Cable Access Bellingham-Mendon televised *The Library Book Corner*, several hour-long sessions with director Charlotte Canelli and guests.

Concerts, workshops and lectures continued to be a focus in 2007 for adult programming. Reference Librarian, Cecily Christensen, continued her role as facilitator of the library's adult book discussion group. In November and December librarians hosted early morning Internet classes and workshops for senior citizens. In July of 2006 the library was awarded an LSTA Reader's Advisory Grant in the amount of \$10,000. This is the first LSTA grant the library has been awarded in over six years. In 2007 staff and community members attended book discussion groups, lectures and workshops with the goal of introducing the Bellingham public to a greater range of reading, specifically in historical fiction.

Nina Hunt, Head of Youth Services, continued to head an energetic youth services team. After school book clubs and cooking and craft classes for elementary school students were added to a full schedule of creative story times for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers each week. Over 466 children's programs were offered in 2007 with well over 7200 participants. These numbers doubled from the huge increases made in 2006. The library continued its participation in the statewide Summer Reading Program. This year's "Catch The Beat" included many performances and events throughout the summer. The Youth Services staff visited each classroom in each elementary school in May 2007, reading to the children, introducing the public library and inviting them personally to apply for a library card. Each new kindergartener was sent an invitation to visit the library and apply for a borrower's card.

'Tweens and teens programming continued throughout the year and attendance by middle-schoolers and high schoolers increased all year. Working and mentoring the library's vibrant and growing preteen and teen population, Leslieanne LaVallee, Young Adult Librarian came to us straight out of college with plans to receive her Master of Library Science from Simmons College in the next few years. (Roxanne Starkin, the young adult librarian with us since 2005, left after two years and three summers of young adult programming.) Both these wonderful librarians brought vigor, energy and enthusiasm to the Bellingham Public Library offering Japanese lessons, craft classes and other events. In 2007 the library was the recipient of a \$20,000 federally funded grant administered by the MBLC: *Teens and Tweens: Building Bridges At the Library*. Ms. LaVallee and other staff host up to 30 teens per day in an afterschool *Teen Zone* held in the community room of the library four weekdays per week. American Red Cross Babysitters' Training courses were held a half-dozen times this year at the library, certifying many more teens over eleven years old. The library hosted several Babysitters' Job Fairs to

introduce the newly certified babysitters to families in the community. In addition to volunteers who work with Bellingham youth, donations of supplies were secured from different local small and national businesses in the community.

Public librarians in Bellingham continued their professional development with memberships in national, state and local associations and attended workshops, meetings and conferences held across Massachusetts. Director Charlotte Canelli remained a member of the Executive Board of the *Central Massachusetts Regional Library System* and a member of the 2007 Legislative Breakfast and Continuing Education Advisory committees. She was also a member of the *Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners* Public Relations Advisory Council. Mandatory state reports were submitted in September and October, 2007: the Annual Report Information Statistics (ARIS) and the State Aid Application. The above submissions make the library eligible for *Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners* grants and funding.

The Friends of the Bellingham Public Library continue to fund programs, activities, library materials and furnishings, and museum passes for the public's enjoyment. Revenues from the ongoing book sale covered the expenditure of \$6,000 for adult and children's programs. Donations from Schafer Garden Center and the WalMart Foundation covered additional expenses. Dean Bank generously funded the family pass to the Children's Museum while revenue raised from the various fundraisers make it possible for the library to offer passes to the New England Aquarium, Boston Science Museum, Slater Mill, Museum of Fine Arts, Isabella Gardner Museum, Davis Farmland, Roger Williams Park Zoo, and the Museum of Work and Culture in Woonsocket, RI. With thanks to the many business and individual tee sponsorships and prize donations, the Annual Library Golf Classic held in July at the New England Country Club made it possible for the Friends to purchase reference books, audio visual materials and National Library Week refreshments. The Friends of the Library have once again funded the public copier for the library.

The Library Trustees wish to acknowledge the substantial funding provided by the Friends of the Library, without which many of the above-mentioned Children's, Young Adults and Adult programs would not have been possible in 2007. The Director wishes to thank the many community volunteers who work at the library, especially Barbara Lamoreaux, Barbara Selvitella and Yvonne Bartlett.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael Carr, Trustee Chair

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BELLINGHAM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ANNUAL REPORT

CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

Transportation and Roadways

Traffic and roadway problems remain the biggest and most complex issue facing the Department of Public Works (DPW). Traffic congestion and roadway condition issues look to be ever growing problem not just in Bellingham but across the country. Our problems are obvious to us, but national publications and surveys indicate that we are not alone. As developable land becomes scarce in areas closer to the cities, rural area development increases, causing once quiet country roads to become major commuter routes. Traffic volumes are increasing at rates as high as two percent per year and roadways are deteriorating due to age and volume greater than they are designed to carry. Roadway infrastructure will not last forever without extensive maintenance. The economy is in bad shape and road repair funding is minimal. Roadways repair costs are increasing rapidly as they are heavily dependent upon the cost of petroleum products. As gas prices have gone up so have roadway construction project costs. We continue to try to preserve our roadway system the best we can.

We are well aware of our problems. In the Fall the Road Committee was established, made up of members of the Board of Selectmen, Capital Improvements Committee, Finance Committee, and included the DPW Director, Town Administrator and Chief Finance Officer. The group has and will continue to hold regularly scheduled meetings to prioritize the estimated \$10 Million of roadway and drainage project we need to consider, to improve traffic, safety, congestion, and roadway conditions. As a first step the October town meeting appropriated \$550,000. No long term funding plan has yet to be defined but the need for such a plan is well known.

Traffic congestion is the number one issue for the Selectmen, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and DPW, when dealing with proposals for new developments. Bellingham is located at a crossroads of three major commuter routes: Route Interstate 495, State Route 140, and numbered Route 126. As we are a crossroads town, our traffic volumes will continue to increase, regardless of the growth in Bellingham. The DPW assists the Town boards in securing mitigation funds from in town developers, to get congestion and safety improvements constructed and minimize development impacts.

The signals in the Center of Town (Route 126 and Route 140 Intersection) have seen two construction projects in the previous two years; both were constructed at no cost to the Town. These projects greatly enhanced the safety of the South Main Street at Mechanic Street intersection, but did little for the congestion that plagues the area. A future Town project will upgrade the old traffic signals in front of the Town Hall and coordinate these signals with the new signals at South Main and Mechanic Street. This project will also modify the lane configuration of North Main Street, reducing the very long evening commuted queues. The DPW has been working to obtain the permits needed from the State. Permits were finally received from the Mass Highway Department in December. The 2008 Town project will be built with funds secured by the Selectmen and Planning Board, from the Jefferson at Bellingham and Walgreens project developers.

The project to reconstruct a section of Hartford Avenue with new sidewalks was expected to be underway in 2007 but got delayed. This project will be advertised for bid in early 2008 and should be completed by the end of the summer construction season. A single public bid project will construct new sidewalks, along with widening, regrading, and rehabilitation of the roadway. This project that is funded partly by the private developer and partly by the Town, will improve pedestrian safety, eliminate existing puddles and potholes, provide turn lanes and road widening in the section of Hartford Avenue, just south of Maple Street.

The developer of the Shoppes of Bellingham has continued to work on plans for improvement of the Interstate 495 Interchange at Hartford Avenue. This is vital to the project. If they do not improve the traffic problems in this area, they will never be allowed to develop the large areas of industrial land located along the southbound side of Interstate 495 and behind Home Depot. Hearings were opened with the Planning Board and Conservation Commission, and meetings held with Massachusetts Highway Department. Mitigation has been suggested that would completely reconstruct the Town Center and improve some Hartford Avenue intersections. The approval of this project and therefore any related mitigation is far from certain. There are still a large number of questions about the project and no approvals, decisions, agreements, or timelines.

The Zoning Board rejected the Lakeview Estates project to construct low income housing near Silver Lake. The rejection was based on the most recent analysis, indicating that the Town has sufficient inventory of low income housing and is not required to allow the construction of additional units. An appeal has been filed by the proponent and there is no indication of the status or final resolution. I mention this as there was a sizable list of traffic mitigation proposed as part of this project. Projects designed to provide safety improvements at intersections along South Main Street, between Center Street and Easy Street, as well as Potter Circle are all tied to the approval of this project. The status of these improvements is uncertain, as is the future of this project. Should the proponent win the appeal, the roadway improvement would move forward.

The section of Wrentham Road between Peters River and Bungay Brook was reconstructed in 2007. The project repaired a very poor section of roadway. We did everything that could reasonably be done to improve drainage, but wetlands and flood plain rules, along with the topography of the area, limited the scope of the project. Therefore, this roadway will always experience flooding and drainage problems.

The culvert crossing Lake Street near Claire's Way was completely reconstructed. This is one of the few areas of town where flooding could create a roadway washout.

The Pearl Street Bridge reconstruction was completed by the State's contractor. The Town had initiated this project with the State in 1998 and now it is a brand new structure with improved roadway realignment. The DPW hopes to expand on the State project and improve all of Pearl Street including the poorly operating intersection with Hartford Avenue. This is just one of the many viable projects the Road Committee will be considering over the next few years.

We continued our efforts to get the Pulaski Boulevard roadway improvement project placed on the State list for funding. The project, which extends from Moody Street to the

Franklin town line, is passed the 75% Design milestone and well on its way to the next step, 100% Design and Environmental Permitting. Preliminary hearings were held with the Conservation Commission. Once the hearings were completed, we were able to acquire all of the roadway and drainage easements necessary for the project. The Pulaski Boulevard water system upgrades were also completed, unfortunately, leaving us with a road covered with water and sewer trench patches. Some overlay patching was done in December and more is planned for 2008 as the timeline for the State funding of the project is uncertain. The project now carries an estimated cost of over eleven million dollars.

The road project includes: geometric improvements at Crooks Corner and the Paine Street and Wrentham Road intersection; signal improvements of the Crooks Corner traffic lights; new signals at Pulaski Boulevard and Center Street intersection; geometric changes for a future signal at Lake Street; and extensive roadway and drainage improvements from Crooks Corner to the Franklin town line. Barring unforeseen problems, no additional Town funds should be needed. The State has not approved the construction funds yet and Massachusetts Highway Department (MHD) will need to review at the "100% Design" and final "Plan Specification and Estimate" stage. Due to funding constraints at the State, it now appears that no construction will get underway until 2011 at the earliest.

The "Long Term" Town Center Improvements remains at the 10% design stage. This will be the next project we consider putting on the State funding list after the Pulaski Boulevard project. This project will add lanes on all legs and completely revamp the signal operations. There is the potential that this two million dollar project will be constructed by the proponent of the Shoppes at Bellingham project. Even if the construction is completed by others, the Town will need to acquire some land to allow for the needed widening.

The Road Committee will be looking at the long list of project, presently in some stage of design, as well as stepping up our funding of preventative maintenance of roads. Preventative maintenance can keep roads in fair to good condition and avoid future more costly reconstruction.

Some of the projects that the Road Committee will be discussing over the next few years include:

- The complete reconstruction of Westminster Avenue, which is planned for 2008.
- Improvements to the Lake Street at Cross Street intersection, where the existing bridge is in very bad condition.
- New sidewalks and drainage improvements on Blackstone Street west South Main Street. The Conservation Commission approved the plans for this project in 2007.
- Geometric improvements to the intersection of South Main Street and North Street are in the works. This will include the establishment of a left turn lane for northbound traffic on South Main.
- Sidewalk and roadway reconstruction on South Main Street between Easy Street and the Town Center and Hartford Avenue west of Maple Street is needed.
- STV, Inc. has prepared a list of recommended safety improvements that we should construct at six bridges. The bridges include Maple Street, Depot Street, Hartford Avenue, and Plymouth Road, all of which are over the Charles River, and Paine Street and Wrentham

Road which are over Peters River. The price tag is just over a million dollars. This report, as well as the State's routine inspections, indicate that none of the bridges are in eminent danger of collapse, so there is no dire urgency and therefore funding has not yet been released.

- Mechanic Street, South Maple and Maple Street intersection is being studied for future improvements. The Planning Board signed a contract with MDM Transportation Associates to prepare conceptual plans for the build out of this intersection. The final report will be submitted in early 2008. Funding for MDM's work was secured by the Planning Board from several projects recently constructed in proximity to the intersection. We anticipate that future development mitigation will fund a portion of the improvements proposed in MDM's plans.

As in the past, this year the DPW hired a summer help crew of local high school and college students. Their work included cutting roadside and stormwater basin brush, removing weeds, mowing ball fields and cemeteries, working on Parks projects, painting facilities, removing debris from drainage areas, and applying weed killer along sidewalks. This continues to be a great program that uses available low cost labor during our busiest season and gives local youths a good summer job.

The Winter of 2006-2007 was one of the mildest and driest in recent history. We called our plow vendors in only once. This gave the FY2007 Town budget a huge break as snow and ice expenses were the lowest they had been in years. However, the 2007-2008 Fall and Winter hit with two very large snow events. December saw close to record breaking snow fall amounts. We continue to be ready for any winter storm and take pride in how we keep our roads in better condition than most other area towns.

Stormwater System

Stormwater is the next big concern for the US Environment Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP). We are in the fifth year of the USEPA's Phase II of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. The MDEP has recently modified their stormwater policies and upgraded them so that they are now part of the Wetlands Protection Act regulations.

The Phase II of USEPA's NPDES program has a goal of eliminating pollution from stormwater runoff. This program requires Bellingham and all suburban cities and towns to step up there stormwater maintenance and awareness.

Bellingham's 2007 efforts under the Phase 2 NPDES program include:

- Public education, through the use of water bill stuffers, cable TV and Web postings, and broadcasts of Water Resource Committee meetings.
- DPW Staff training with annual color handouts and informational meetings.
- Stormwater System maintenance recordkeeping enhancements, with written reports on street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, and stormwater facility cleaning. We are also continuing to improve our maps, adding any changes, or discoveries, to our already comprehensive mapping system.

- Regulatory Upgrades, with revisions to Planning Board procedural rules and Town Bylaws regarding stormwater management. Regulations and Bylaws now cover stormwater at construction sites from the moment the first yard of earth moved through long term maintenance of stormwater facilities.
- Municipal Housekeeping, which included: preliminary surveys of all municipal properties for proper protection of stormwater quality, and plans to construct some improvements needed at the fueling station at the DPW Garage.

May of 2008 will mark the end of the first five-year NPDES Phase II compliance period. Good progress is being made. A report card letter sent out by the USPEA in August again noted that Bellingham is ahead of most other towns in our region. The USEPA will be adding requirements to the next five-year compliance period which will include some level of stormwater outfall monitoring. With over three hundred outfalls mapped in town this could create a significant new task for the DPW to add to our work load.

MDEP's regulations set specific stormwater quality goals for all new construction that is within the jurisdiction Wetland Act. Our Planing Board Rule and Regulations require the same level of stormwater quality for all developments, regardless of the proximity to wetlands.

Another major change to MDEP's stormwater management regulation is the addition of Low Impact Development (LID) guidelines. LID is a long list of modified site construction design practices that will enhance recharge of stormwater and in effect impact the land less than conventional construction. Representatives of the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and DPW attended several meetings and will likely undertake a rewriting of our stormwater regulations in the not to distant future to expedite the Low Impact Development in Bellingham.

As the USEPA and MDEP programs move forward, more demands, tasks and responsibilities will be added to our work load, all of which are unfunded mandates. Funding mechanisms such as Stormwater Utilities may have to be considered. The State legislature has passed the necessary laws to allow a municipality to establish a Stormwater Utility. This would be similar to the existing Water and Sewer Trash Enterprise funds. The tough part with a Stormwater Utility is that there is no stormwater meter. This complicates fair billing. Whether this idea or some other means is utilized, all urban and suburban towns will need to do more stormwater management than they have in the past, with no easy way to pay for it.

A poor storm drain system is a roadway killer, significantly shortening the life of any pavement. All traffic and road repair projects include an upgrade to roadway drainage. In 2007, we constructed improvements on Oswego Street, McKean Street, and Andrews Street. We replaced an aging and partial collapsed drain pipe between Pulaski Boulevard and Pine Grove Avenue. We have plans in various stages of design for drainage improvements to Cross Street, Nason Street, Hartford Avenue near the Rosewood Dairy, Pelletier Drive, and all streets around Lake Hiawatha.

We own four dams: Silver Lake Dam off of Cross Street, Jenks Reservoir Dam off of Lake Street, Crystal Lake Dam on Silver Lake Road, and the Old Mill Dam on Pearl Street. Reports completed in 2006 by Pare Corporation cite the need for improvements and repairs that

carry a price tag in the million and a half range. As with our bridges, none are in imminent danger of collapse; however, all but only Silver Lake Dam are considered in poor condition.

Public Drinking Water Supply

The main goal of any water supply system is to provide its customers with a sufficient quantity of safe drinking water. We are in pretty good shape on both the quality and quantity fronts.

Providing safe drinking water is the highest priority for all public water suppliers. We spend significant funds to perform water quality analysis to insure that our water is safe. The analytical results are compiled and summarized in our annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The CCR tells consumers what contaminants were detected in their drinking water during the previous calendar year and explains all possible health risk related to any contaminant that is detected. Our 2006 report was delivered to every resident in town as an insert in the May 2007 Bellingham Bulletin. Test results from 2007 were very good with no contaminants found at levels of concern. The report that summarizes the 2007 calendar year water analysis will once again be published as an insert in the Bellingham Bulletin.

We had hoped that our Cross-Connection/Back Flow Prevention Program would see some significant improvements in 2007 but we made only modest gains. This program is designed to prevent contaminants from entering our drinking water system from private property sources. We have purchased a new database program geared specifically to Cross Connection Control and thereby will see improvements to recordkeeping and tracking of tests and surveys. The MDEP is getting more aggressive with their enforcement of the Cross Connection Control regulation of this program. We will need to step up our efforts to remain in compliance. We did not have a backflow incident in 2007 and never have, but must continue to be diligent in our efforts to insure that record remains intact.

The Summer of 2007 was very dry. A drought advisory was issued by the State in the late summer; however, we had no trouble keeping up with demand and never instituted any form of outside water use restriction or ban. It appears that MDEP policies, driven by concerns about the water resources in the Charles River watershed, will soon require that we put some type of restriction in place each summer.

This is the sixth year of the enterprise fund drinking water bookkeeping system. An enterprise fund means that water rates and fees should cover all costs associated with maintaining, operating, and upgrading the drinking water supply system. The enterprise accounting system is equivalent to making supplying town water a separate utility, similar to the electric or gas utility companies. Our rate revenue has not been yielding the funds needed to operate the water system. New debt cost that begin fiscal year 2008, presented a bleak future. Hence, early in 2007 we hired Mr. Mark Abrahams, a certified public accountant with extensive rate review experience, to perform a rate study. Mr. Abrahams' study was presented to the Selectmen in the Spring and they held hearings and accepted a complete revision to our billing system. The revised rates and rate system took effect for all bills sent after July 1, 2007. The new system uses the standard rate system recommended by the American Water Works

Association. We now have a truly conservation driving increase block rate system, where we bill for ever gallon of water used. We now have separated fixed costs and set a Service Charge to cover these costs, leaving the usage charges to cover flow related costs. This is a quantum leap in our billing system and was long over due.

The proposal to establish an agreement to sell water to the Town of Mendon for the long term did not pass at the town meeting. The agreement, if approved, would have made the Town of Bellingham public water supply system the primary source of water for the Town of Mendon.

An emergency agreement was signed that provided water to the Milford Water Company. The drought condition severely impacted Milford's reservoir based supply system. The Milford Water Company constructed a water main extension in Grove Street to connect the two systems. This new main provided water services to about 20 Bellingham properties that were on private wells. The Grove Street water main extension project was estimated to cost over two hundred thousand dollars, all of which was borne by the Milford Water Company. We started selling water to Milford in October with an agreed end date of April 1, 2008.

In 2007 our Unaccounted for Water (UAW) was 5.9%. UAW is the difference between customer's meter readings and the water we pump into the distribution system. It is water lost through leakage, or delivered free to customers due to inaccurate meters. Our goal and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) suggested goal is to get our UAW of water below 10%. Last year we were at 17% UAW and the lowest we had ever achieved before this year was 13%.

In 2007, we found and repaired three major leaks that were running for a very long time. Leaks on Mechanic Street and Orchard Street were repaired during the winter and we noticed an immediate reduction in demand on the water system. An additional leak on Mill Street was repaired in the Fall. We found a hole in this pipe that was about the size of a fire hydrant outlet. It appeared that it had been leaking to some degree for many years.

With an UAW of 17% for 2006 we scheduled a system wide leak detection as we have done for the last five years and kept up our meter recycling program. This year's leakage survey was completed in March by Water & Waste Pipe Testing. Only four leaks were found and all were repaired by the end of April. We recycled over three hundred of the oldest meters in mostly residential homes to improve customer metering accuracy.

We worked on some water system capital projects in 2007.

We completed the water system improvement on Pulaski Boulevard in the area of the road reconstruction project mentioned above. We also identified the need to replace the water mains in Stone Street and a section of Farm Street north of the Interstate 495 overpass. Water enterprise account surplus funds were appropriated by the Fall Special Town Meeting and the projects should be bid and completed in 2008. These water main projects will replace old pipes that have been experiencing chronic main breaks.

We also plan to cut several valves into the Hartford Avenue water main between Maple Street and the Medway town line. This old main is in good condition, but has very few valves.

With the new valves we can isolate small sections of the system. Therefore, if a water break occurs, we will no longer need to shut water off to the entire northeast section of Town.

In late 2006 we learned that our largest water tank needed a complete interior and exterior coating rehabilitation. The tank, known as the Grove Street Standpipe, holds 3.1 million gallons. Although it was rehabilitated less than fifteen years ago, the protective coating on the interior was nearly all gone. Funds were appropriated in May and the tank was taken off line and drained just after the Independence Day holiday. Work to strip the old and install new coatings started immediately thereafter.

On the recommendation of our engineers the Selectmen agreed to allow the project to be constructed in the summer months, thereby improving the potential for optimum weather conditions and the maximum life span for the new coating. The summer work schedule was also considered as a means to get better pricing. Most standpipe coating projects are confined to a construction season of October through April. Contractors are generally not busy in the summer months and therefore hungry for work. It appears that this strategy worked as bids came in nearly 25% below the engineer's estimate. Work on the interior coating was completed before the end of the construction season and we began to refill the tank in December. The exterior coating will be completed in the Spring of 2008 and the tank will not need to be drained to complete the minimal amount of work remaining.

Although, we have spent nearly three and a half million dollars on water projects in the last few years, our list of projects to be considered continues to have a price tag of about ten million dollars. We continue to use our Water System Master Plan (2001) and Well Optimization Plan (2003) as our guide to capital projects, but occasionally other unexpected projects arise.

Our DPW Public Education Administrator, Ms. Lori Fafard, continued the effort to educate the youth of Bellingham on the importance of water and the need to conserve and protect this vital resource. Again this year, Linda Trudeau produced a musical production along with an art show that was presented in September, as a wrap up to the summer long program of arts education with a water resource awareness and conservation theme. Once again we want to thank Linda for her assistance and creativity.

The 2004 Mass Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) Water Management Act Policy Revisions continue to loom on the horizon. MDEP is trying to control unnecessary water use in an effort to maintain stream flows. We have yet to receive our Draft Revised Water Withdrawal Permit. There is a potential that MDEP will cut our allowable water withdrawal permit from 3.1 million gallons a day (MGD) to 1.47 MGD. At a 2006 meeting with the Town, Representatives from MDEP promised that we would be allowed to withdraw up to our 3.1 MGD limit, but we need to provide them with information supporting our need for that volume. We submitted our supporting information in 2006, but with no Draft Revised Permit in hand, we can only speculate about the potential impacts we will experience.

Controversy continues to swirl around this new policy. River protection advocates have advanced their concerns about stream flow levels in the Charles River Basin and MDEP has reacted with a restrictive water use policy. Water suppliers and municipalities are concerned

about their lack of involvement in the policy making process and the lack of scientific evidence that the reduction in water supply pumping will yield increases to stream flow levels. The policy has been revised twice since it was initially conceived in 2004. In the Fall of 2006, the State legislature established a blue ribbon panel to review and possibly suggest further revisions. The panel was made up of representatives from the environmental groups as well as municipalities and public water suppliers. The panel completed their work in January and issued a report; however, the report did not contain any recommendation, as the panel could not come to a consensus on any of the key issues.

Wastewater Collection

Our wastewater is treated at two different treatment facilities. The north end of town is connected to the Charles River Pollution Control District Plant in Medway and the south is connected to the City of Woonsocket Wastewater Treatment Plant. Therefore, our sewer system is collection only.

The sewer system works on an enterprise accounting system, as does the drinking water system. As with water billing, we did an extensive sewer billing system analysis in 2007 and completely revamped our old system. Now we have a service charge to cover fixed costs and a single flat rate to cover flow related costs. The old billing system generated modest surpluses. We expect that the new billing system will do the same. The sewer surplus has been used in the past to defer rate increase and perform system improvements. As our system ages, there is more of a demand for system improvements and upgrades, so in the future there will be less likelihood of a rate increase deferral.

Leaks that enter a sewer system are called Infiltration and surface runoff that enters the sewers is called Inflow. The industry abbreviation for Infiltration and Inflow is I&I. We will be using some of the sewer surplus funds to locate and eliminate I&I.

I&I is a problem as it overburdens sewer pipes and treatment facilities with relatively clean groundwater and surface runoff. The infiltration of groundwater into sewers can lower the water level in the aquifer and effect stream flows. We have a relatively young sewer system and leaking is not a huge problem, but as the system ages, it becomes more of a concern. Unfortunately, sewer infiltration is difficult to locate. Specialized firms must study pipes with sophisticated video equipment designed to see what is happening in these buried pipes. After infiltration is detected, repairs are often very costly.

Funding and manpower limitations were such that little I&I work was done in 2007. We did start work on an important related matter. With the assistance of SEA Consultants, we discovered that our oldest sewer master meter may be reading as much as 200% higher than the actual flow. This indicates that we have less of an I&I problem than we thought in the northern most portion of our collection system. In 2007 we prepared a plan of attack and in 2008 we will proceed with cleaning, calibrating, and reanalyzing the need for full and costly replacement.

Sewer master meters are much harder to replace than water meters. Sewer meters are in manholes several feet below the surface and include special flow channels, sensors, and electronic equipment designed to record the volume of wastewater as it passes the meter. Often

replacement will mean reconstruction of the entire manhole during which the contractor must deal with constant sewage flow. The meter with a problem is one of the master meters used to determine our Charles River Pollution Control District (CRPCD) treatment plant bills. Accurate readings are needed to ensure that we are not being over or under billed. In addition, inaccuracy in this meter clouds the status of our treatment capacity. According to the meter readings, our flow is presently over the three hundred thousand gallon per day treatment capacity that we own. Knowing more precisely what our flow is vital, so we can properly respond to property owners who request permission to utilized sewer capacity.

There was some sewer system expansion in 2007. The project between Muron Avenue and Pulaski Boulevard was completed during the winter months allowing us to activate all of the new sewers constructed along Pulaski Boulevard in 2006.

The Bellingham Housing Authority constructed a sewer extension in North Main Street connecting the Depot Court housing to the Town sewer. The Bellingham Shopping Center on South Main Street has MDEP approval to connect to the sewers but no progress has been made on this project.

It remains to be seen if the Lakeview Estates project will move forward. This project was rejected by the Zoning Board of Appeals, but the proponent has filed an appeal requesting that the ZBA decision be overturned. If it gains approvals, the sewer on Center Street will be extended from Fox Run Road to Gail Drive. If this sewer extension is constructed it will service the proposed development and provide sewer services to existing homes on Silver Lake Road, Center Street, and some of Cross Street, and possibly Dupre Road. The sewer pumping station proposed as part of the Lakeview project should allow us to eliminate the existing Douglas Drive Station, provide easier access to public sewers to the residences east side of Silver Lake, and allow new connections to the CRPCD treatment plant system.

Town Cemeteries

The DPW is in charge of the maintenance of Town Cemeteries, and under the guidance of the appointed Cemetery Committee and Sextons, our long time inactive cemeteries are effectively coming back to life. The Cemetery Committee & Sextons met nine times in 2007.

Although there are several cemeteries in Bellingham, there are only four that are Town owned and only two of them have any land available for gravesite sales and interments. Our inventory of cemeteries includes: Scott Cemetery on Center Street, Center Cemetery on Mechanic Street, North Cemetery on Hartford Avenue, and the small unnamed cemetery on Depot Street. The other private cemeteries in Town include:

- Oak Hill Cemetery, which directly abuts the Town's North Cemetery;
- St. Jean the Baptist / Precious Blood cemetery on Wrentham Road, which is a very large free standing cemetery;
- Union Cemetery, which directly abuts the Town's Center Cemetery;
- Ukrainian Cemetery on Center Street, which abuts the Town's Scott Cemetery and is clearly divided by a stone wall and fence; and
- Wilcox Cemetery on Lake Street near Rakeville Circle, which is a free standing cemetery.

During 2007, computerized grave management program and mapping for Center Cemetery was fully implemented. Our old cemetery and grave deed records are poor. This was a major concern of the Committee, but with some field investigation and the help of the new mapping system, we have now identified an area where gravesites are available for sale.

In 2006 gravesite management system and mapping of Scott Cemetery was completed. The new grave management program has been used for all new sales, and has been instrumental in assisting us with issuing deeds to existing grave owners.

At the Fall Special Town Meeting funds were transferred from several cemetery accounts to a single fund to improve the Scott Cemetery. The main improvement will be the construction of a cremation urn mausoleum known as a Columbarium. This will provide urn storage for forty-eight families in a beautiful aboveground granite structure. The Committee plans to dedicate the Columbarium as part of the Town's 2008 Memorial Day celebration.

Other 2007 accomplishments include: the installation of new signs at Scott and Center Cemeteries, reconstruction of the gravel roads at Scott Cemetery, and acceptance of new regulations. Approved in April, the changes brought the cemetery rules and regulations into the new millennium.

Future projects include safety improvements to the access road at North/Oak Hill Cemetery and hydroseeding of Scott Cemetery.

The DPW would like to thank Cemetery Committee & Sextons: James Haughey, Francis Cartier, and William Spear, for their help this year.

General

Many large DPW projects are needed to keep the vital assets that make up our transportation, water supply, and sewer collection infrastructure in good operating condition. A long list of projects has been submitted to the Board of Selectmen, Capital Improvement Committee, and Finance Committee for consideration.

One significant project is the DPW Facility improvements. The top priorities of the DPW facility improvement plan include: reduction of employees' exposure to vehicle fumes, improvements to mechanic's work area, installation of environmentally compliant vehicle wash facility, relocations of the Parks equipment from its present location adjacent to a drinking water supply well, increased salt storage, and increased storage space for the large fleet of public works equipment.

Public works projects compete with capital requests from other departments and public works projects always carry very big price tags. It appears that no major projects will move forward until the overall economic condition or the Town's ability to finance infrastructure projects improves. In 2014 the debt will be paid off on several capital project built fifteen to

twenty years ago. At that time the long list of very large public works and other capital projects can be considered.

We continue to review and comment on private project plans submitted to the various Town Boards and Committees. This year we saw a slow year for private projects. However a few are moving through the review process.

The Shoppes at Bellingham is the single largest project we have seen in years. The hearing process has started with various Town Boards but the process is far from over. The DPW has already spent extensive time at meetings, and reviewing and commenting on project plans.

There appear to be movement on the development of the EMC land located on Maple Street on either side of High Street. This project has been changed several times and in 2007 EMC gained the Planning Board's approval of subdivision of the land to create new roadways. It seems now that this plan will be scrapped. In November we were informed that EMC sold the entire parcel. We expect that an entirely different proposal will be coming soon from the new owner.

Bellingham still has many large tracts of undeveloped land and we expect to continually see proposals for their development. The DPW will continue to work closely with Town Boards to minimize impact to our existing residents and systems.

The DPW staff would like to thank the consultants who worked for us in 2007. These firms of engineers and technicians know our systems and facilities and are readily available to help us with specific tasks and emergencies. By contracting with these firms, we eliminate the need for an engineering department and have a great pool of specialized talent.

BETA Group	Road Projects, Mapping Pavement Management
G & L Electric	Facilities Electronics
Gannett Fleming, Inc.	DPW Facilities Design
Guerriere & Halnon	Drainage & Survey
Haley & Ward, Inc.	Water Supply & Storage
Legacy Mark, LLC	Cemetery Mapping & Database Management
MDM Consultants	Traffic Analysis
Pare Corporation	Dams
Stantec, Inc.	Water System & Facilities
SEA Consultants	Wastewater & Water Resource Planning
STV, Incorporated	Bridges
Weston & Sampson Engineers	Environmental Compliance
Weston & Sampson Services	Facilities Instrumentation

Conclusion:

As the Massachusetts economy remains less than robust, all projects and efforts are feeling the budget crunch. We continue to ask all residents for their patience and support as we try to maintain acceptable levels of service and repair for our Town's public works infrastructure.

The entire staff would like to thank the residents of Bellingham for their support. We look forward to serving you in 2008 and beyond.

REPORT SUBMITTED BY:

Donald F. DiMartino
DPW Director

ROADWAY SYSTEMS

TYPE	MILES
TOWN ACCEPTED WAYS	79
UNACCEPTED WAYS	11
TOTAL TRAVEL WAYS	90

PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLY

FACILITIES	QUANTITY
PUMPING STATIONS	9
GROUNDWATER WELLS	17
CORROSION CONTROL	5
FILTRATION PLANT	1
STORAGE TANKS	3
STORAGE VOLUME (MG)	5.1
WATER MAINS (MILES)	85.0

WATER PUMPED FROM WELLS

MONTH	GALLONS
JANUARY	30,326,893
FEBRUARY	26,980,000
MARCH	30,776,840
APRIL	29,318,590
MAY	42,552,400
JUNE	49,068,400
JULY	54,041,280
AUGUST	54,733,370
SEPTEMBER	51,140,201
OCTOBER	44,408,780
NOVEMBER	40,242,430
DECEMBER	44,872,830
TOTAL	498,462,015

WATER PUMPED INTO SYSTEM

PUMP STATION	GALLONS
STATION 1	36,559,000
STATION 2	1,228,000
STATION 3	67,574,000
STATION 4	86,942,000
STATION 5	26,083,000
STATION 11	51,691,000
STATION 12	140,843,000
FILTRATION PLANT	82,342,000
TOTAL	493,262,000

PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLY (CONTINUED)

Gallons

DAILY AVERAGE PUMPED	1,365,649
DAILY AVERAGE CONSUMED	1,351,403
MAXIMUM DAY PUMPED	2,346,230
MAXIMUM PUMPING DAY	June 28th

GALLONS METERED TO CUSTOMERS	418,743,901
GALLONS SOLD TO MILFORD WATER CO	20,568,000

GALLONS UN-METERED TRACKED:

FLUSHING HYDRANTS	673,855
FILTRATION PLANT BACKWASH	5,200,000
WATER BREAKS & OTHER TRACK USAGE	24,055,449

UNACCOUNTED FOR WATER 29,220,795

PERCENTAGE 5.9%

METERED CUSTOMERS:

DOMESTIC	5320
COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL	371

UN-METERED CUSTOMERS:

SUMMER TAKERS	2
DOMESTIC	2
TOTAL	5695

METERS RE-READ BY OWNER:

(TRANSFERS OR PROPERTY CHANGES)	179
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METERS (MISCELLANEOUS)

SECONDARY METERS IN SYSTEM	43
WATER METERS RECYCLED	302

NEW METERS AND SERVICES:

INSTALLED BY DPW	7
INSTALLED BY OTHERS	29

HYDRANT MAINTENANCE:

PAINTED	0
REPAIRED	11
REPLACED	2
INSPECTED	0
FLUSHED	90
WINTERIZED	13
NEW HYDRANTS	1
TOTAL IN SYSTEM	881

WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM**FACILITIES**

GRAVITY SEWER MAINS	21.3 Miles
SEWER FORCE MAINS	3.4 Miles
LOW PRESSURE FORCE MAINS	0.4 Miles
MANHOLES	626
PUMPING STATIONS (TOWN)	6
PUMPING STATIONS (PRVT)	4
SEWER SIPHONS	1

CONNECTIONS

TOTAL AVAILABLE	1846
CONNECTED BEFORE 1/1/07	1505
CONNECTED DURING YEAR	41
TOTAL CONNECTED	1546

SEWER FLOWS / TO TREATMENT PLANTS

	Gallons
Charles River Pollution Control District	114,762,194
Woonsocket Wastewater Treatment Plant	52,147,360

DPW SERVICE CALLS:

METERS REPLACED DEFECTIVE	64
METERS REPLACED FROZEN	9
METERS RECYCLED	302
SECONDARY METERS INSTALLED	27
BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES TESTED	332
HIGHWAY SERVICE CALLS	627
WATER SERVICE CALLS	413
FROZEN WATER SERVICES THAWED	0
EMERGENCY CALLS	13
FACILITIES CALLS	6
WATER MAIN BREAKS REPAIRED	9
WATER SERVICE BREAKS REPAIRED	15
SEWER SERVICE CALLS	11
SEWER MAIN BREAKS REPAIRED	0
SEWER SERVICE BREAKS REPAIRED	0
SEWER OVERFLOWS	0

STORMWATER SYSTEM**FACILITIES**

CATCH BASINS	2014
MANHOLES	949
PIPES	25 Miles
FREE STANDING INLETS AND OUTLETS	273
STORMWATER BASINS & SWALES	29
BASIN INLET OUTLET HEADWALLS	49

TOWN CEMETERIES

	GRAVE SITES SOLD
Scott Cemetery (Center Street)	10
Center Cemetery (Mechanic Street)	0

Norfolk County Registry of Deeds 2007 Annual Report to the Town of Bellingham

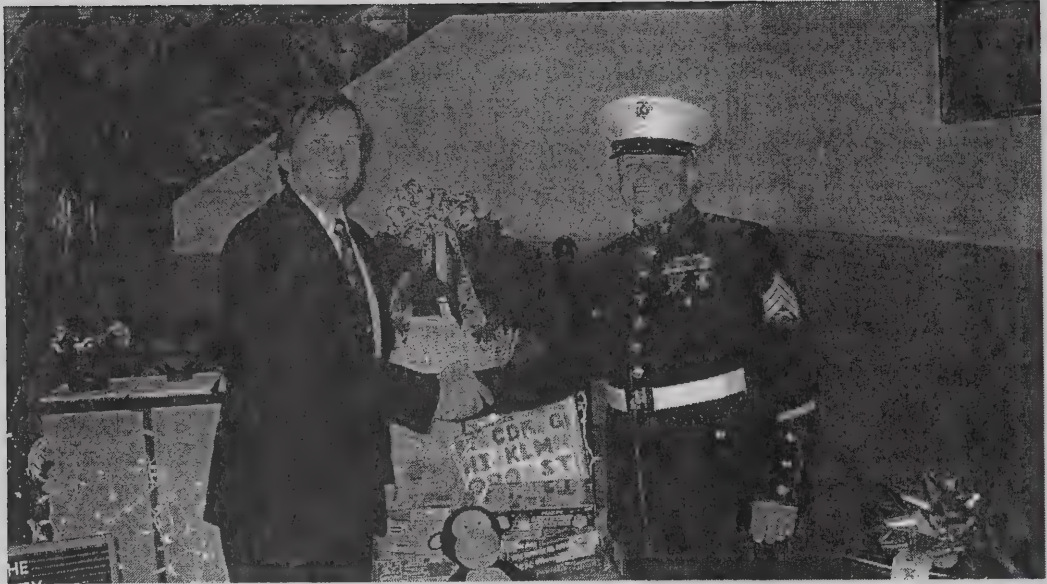
William P. O'Donnell, Register

The Registry of Deeds, located at 649 High Street, Dedham, Massachusetts, is the principal office for real property records in Norfolk County and operates under the supervision of the elected Register, William P. O'Donnell. The Registry receives and records hundreds of thousands of documents each year, and is a basic resource for title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipalities, homeowners, and others with a need for land record information. The Registry of Deeds has been a vital component of Norfolk County government since 1793 when Governor John Hancock signed the act creating Norfolk County. Four United States Presidents, John Adams, John Quincy Adams, John F. Kennedy, and George H.W. Bush were born in Norfolk County, the County of Presidents. Registry operations are effectively self-supporting and generate significant surplus revenues which support other operations and contribute to the General Fund of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Registry revenues also subsidize county and state public safety and corrections costs. In over two hundred years of continuous operation, the Registry has gone from the days of scribes with quill pens to computers, scanned documents and off-site access. However, in all that time our objectives have remained the same: accuracy, reliability and accessibility for the residents of the twenty eight communities that comprise Norfolk County.

Fiscal Year 2007 Highlights

- The completion of the Registry's Hall of Flags with all 28 communities represented.
- Free public viewing of every document, including land plans, recorded by the Registry since its inception in 1793 is now available on the internet at www.norfolkdeeds.org.
- The expansion of the internet accessible indexing system back to 1956 enables many complete fifty year title searches to be done at remote locations. Remote access over the internet for complete printing of Registry documents is steadily expanding among a growing number of account holders.
- An investment in computer terminals at the Registry itself now insures that anyone wanting to access the records can do so here.
- A full service telephone (781-461-6101) and walk-in customer service center and the addition of closing rooms and tables encourage the citizens of Norfolk County to feel comfortable in using their Registry.
- The Registry's internet website www.norfolkdeeds.org is regularly updated and enhanced to include recent news, trends, press information, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Bellingham was one of a number of Norfolk County communities to show decreased real estate activity in 2007 recording a total of 408 deeds, 18% fewer than in 2006. The average price of a Bellingham sale (greater than \$1,000 - *residential and commercial* properties) fell 25% to \$476,705. Total dollar volume of real estate sales in Bellingham for 2007 was just short of \$116 million, a decrease of 46% from 2006. There were 1117 mortgages recorded for Bellingham real estate in 2007, 31% fewer than in 2006. May was the busiest month for real estate activity accounting for 10.2% of Bellingham related recordings.



Register Bill O'Donnell presents the Registry's collection of Toys For Tots to Marine Sgt. Daniel Sampson



Norfolk County Registry of Deeds Hall of Flags

VETERAN'S SERVICES

The Veterans Services Program continues to provide prompt service to the Town's veteran population and their dependents. Over the past year, services were provided as follows:

Number of Veterans Receiving Benefits: 7

Number of Veterans and Dependents Serviced or Provided Counseling: 55

Veterans seeking assistance are encouraged to contact the Veterans' Services Office for information on program offerings. We are proud to service the veteran community and stand ready to answer their call.

Respectfully submitted,

**Raymond R. Gagne
Veterans' Agent**

**Denis C. Fraine
Administrative Assistant
to Veterans' Agent**



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WIRING INSPECTOR 2007

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Bellingham:

PERMITS ISSUED 2007

MONTH	PERMITS ISSUED	AMOUNT RECEIVED
January	34	2304.00
February	24	2420.00
March	30	6099.00
April	30	3995.00
May	44	3320.00
June	48	3538.00
July	35	2770.00
August	37	3545.00
September	28	6036.00
October	30	1905.00
November	33	2540.00
December	15	1550.00
Total Received	486	\$40,022.00

I wish to thank all Town Officials for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Florent Levesque

Florent R. Levesque
Inspector of Wires

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

Worker's Compensation Agent

Municipal Center
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Bellingham, MA 02019
(508) 657-2806

WORKERS' COMPENSATION REPORT – 2007

MIIA (Massachusetts Inter-local Insurance Association) is the Worker's Compensation carrier for the Town of Bellingham.

The past calendar year has seen few work-related injuries, due to the care taken by employees in their day-to-day job procedures, and the maintenance of public buildings and their surroundings. Thirty (30) work-related injury reports were filed, most with no medical attention required. Three (3) work-related injuries did result in lost time from work for a short period of time.

The Town of Bellingham strives to keep work-related injuries down. Meetings are held with Department Heads and MIIA representatives to discuss various ways to make the workplace safe for all employees.

Through Health Resources, the Occupational Health Nurse has office hours at the Municipal Center on Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to monitor work-related injuries and offer valuable health information for all Town employees. She may be reached at (508) 657-2804.

Respectfully submitted;



Nancy A. Bailey
Worker's Compensation Agent

THE ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2007
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
AND
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The annual School Committee reorganization took place this year on May 8, 2007. Michael J. O'Herron was elected Chair, Mrs. Gwyn Swanson, Vice Chair, and Francis Cartier, Treasurer. Mrs. Nancy A. Maynard was again appointed School Committee Clerk.

The school committee deals with a variety of issues throughout the year, many of which are related to their two primary areas of responsibility: addressing policy and budget issues. Some of these issues include the following:

In May of each year the School Committee appoints their liaisons, set the School Committee Goals, and this year revised the Medication Policy as required by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

During the month of June the School Committee annually reviews any proposed Student Handbook changes, reviews and approves School Improvement Plans, reviews Capital Plan and requests, and recognizes retiring staff.

During September and October the School Committee receives MCAS updates from the Superintendent, meets with each principal to review School Improvement Plans which may have a direct impact on the school budget before entering into the budget process, and this year the School Committee reviewed school security proposals and revised the School Committee policy on communications.

Each year in October the School Committee must appoint a voting member to the annual Massachusetts Association of School Committees conference which is held in November. The Committee also reviews the MCAS results for secondary schools.

November is the month when the Committee begins the budget process by opening the application process for town citizens to serve on the Budget Review Committee. Applicants are appointed at the last meeting in November.

The School Committee had one meeting in December and at that time appoints any additional applicants for the Budget Review Committee, reviews the quarterly budget report and honors the recipient of the Superintendent's Award for Excellence.

During the month of January the Committee continues work on the budget, approves the district technology plan and completes the Superintendent's mid-year evaluation.

March brings us to the budget workshop and Public Hearing for the School Budget and the School Choice participation review. School Choice must be voted on by each school district annually and then the decision is submitted to the Department of Education for their records. The Committee also reviews any Capital requests.

The month of April is busy with the budget presentation to the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee, setting of the School Calendar and setting of the School Committee meeting dates for the upcoming school year.

The school committee continues to work actively to support the goals and mission statements of the district and help provide the best possible education opportunity for the students of Bellingham. We wish to recognize the efforts of our Superintendent, administration, faculty and staff, to ensure the success of our students in partnership with parents who are actively involved with their children's education. We believe that together, we can be successful in meeting our goal of creatively challenging, and fully developing, Bellingham's most valuable resource - our children.

Sincerely,
Michael J. O'Herron, Chair
Gwyn Swanson, Vice Chair
Francis Cartier, Treasurer
Ronald L. Martel
Stephen Patrick

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

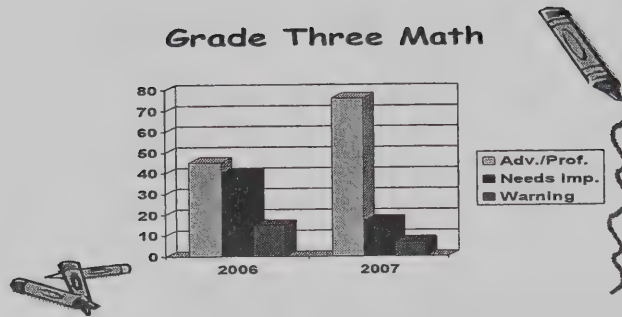
The Bellingham community should not allow its students to graduate without the attributes and skills necessary to be successful in postsecondary education or the workplace. These students need the best we can offer them while they are in our schools. While it is true that such programs cost money, we cannot afford to have poorly prepared young people leaving our schools without the necessary skills to compete. There have been more than enough statistical studies that prove that the more one is educated, the higher the income will be over a lifetime. We also know that over 80% of those in prisons throughout the country have less than a high school education. A good education is not a luxury in today's global society, it is a requirement that no nation or community can afford to ignore.

The state has mandated that it takes a certain level of performance for a student graduating between now and 2009 to be awarded a diploma from any high school. That minimal level of performance is known as "Needs Improvement." By rule of the Massachusetts State Board of Education, students who fail either the English Language Arts (ELA) or the Mathematics portion of the MCAS exam at the high school level are not permitted to receive a high school diploma, regardless of the grades they have received in classes. However, starting with the Class of 2010 (this year's freshmen class), the bar has been raised for their requirement to the two levels above that called "Proficient" and "Advanced." In addition, members of the Class of 2010 will be the first ones required to also pass the MCAS Science test.

Last year, the Class of 2008 was the first one to achieve at a level whereby at least 90% of the class members have scored high enough to qualify for their diploma. The 2007 Spring MCAS results for Bellingham students shows that the Class to 2009 followed that upward trend when at least 90% of their classmates scored high enough to qualify for their diploma. As noted above, the standard for graduation for the Classes of 2010 and beyond is much higher than any previous classes. This will be a major hurdle for about 20% of BHS students who want to earn a diploma. The faculty at Bellingham High School continues to work with all students, and extra classes and assistance are being provided until 100% meet the standard established by the State Board of Education.

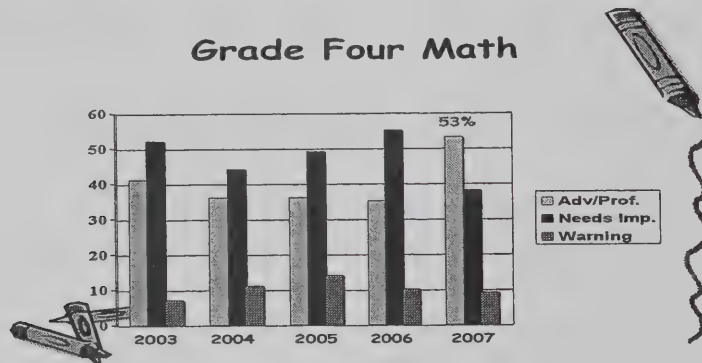
Of particular significance this past year is the MCAS performance of some of our elementary groups. Bellingham Third Grade students who took the math test did so well that they were ranked as the 58th best Third Grade group in the state (out of 299 groups) when 75% of them scored in the "Advanced" and "Proficient" categories! As you can see below, this is an improvement of over 30 percentage points from the scores of the previous group. It is a direct result of improved teaching strategies related to MCAS expectations.

Grade Three Math



The Fourth Grade students also dramatically improved their scores when over half of the students scored in the “Advanced” and “Proficient” categories. Their performance was at such a level that they were ranked as the 132nd best Third Grade group in the state (out of 299 groups). The improvements in the Fourth Grade Math scores are also a direct result of improved teaching strategies related to MCAS expectations.

Grade Four Math



Twenty-eight new teachers joined our instructional staff last fall, bringing the total number of professional staff to 225. Six teachers have notified the School Committee that they will be retiring. These retiring teachers and administrators have devoted 208 years of service to Bellingham students, and their efforts are deeply appreciated. We wish them well in the well-deserved retirement years. The retiring teachers are:

Pauline Hamwey	35 years
Cathy Lemieux	35 years
Norman Lemieux	34 years
Deborah Osborne	35 years
Arthur Plante	35 years
Nancy Plante	34 years

The Town of Bellingham, through its Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen, has provided solid support of the schools throughout the budget process, and has provided assistance above and beyond that required by state law. Through the judicious use of reserve funds by the Town of Bellingham, which were accumulated during good times for use during bad times, the school district will be able to provide its current level of services for only one more year. The problem is that the Town has used its “rainy day” funds to the maximum possible without endangering its bonding status. Insurance costs also continue to increase at rates that threaten the Town’s ability to continue in its favored financial status. Unless state financial aid to schools improves before the end of the 2007-08 school year, alternative methods of revenue, such as an override levy, will have to be sought if the community wants to maintain the current level of services for Bellingham students. These are your schools. What level of services do you believe is adequate as we educate today’s students to be tomorrow’s workers?

It has been a great honor to serve as your Superintendent of Schools for the past six years. I am retiring as of June 30th, and wish nothing but the best for Bellingham students and parents in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. Mattocks, Superintendent of Schools

ANNUAL REPORT STATISTICS

The number of students who received services in our schools in 2007 was approximately 2,554 students and the average daily attendance for all schools was 98.2%. This report will provide information about the educational programs and activities that have been conducted for students in all grades during the calendar year of 2007.

ENROLLMENT

As of December 31, 2007, 2,559 students were enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12 in our schools. This figure represents a decrease in enrollment of 1 student.

ENROLLMENT FOR ALL GRADES, END OF THE FIRST MONTH OF SCHOOL

1980-81 – 3353	1985-86 – 2596	1990-91 – 2227	1995-96 – 2466	2000-01 – 2,706	2005-06 – 2,603
1981-82 – 3265	1986-87 – 2471	1991-92 – 2308	1996-97 – 2574	2001-02 – 2,713	2006-07 - 2,583
1982-83 – 3043	1987-88 – 2420	1992-93 – 2261	1997-98 – 2635	2002-03 – 2,736	2007-08 – 2,554
1983-84 – 2867	1988-89 – 2300	1993-94 – 2311	1998-99 – 2619	2003-04 – 2,721	
1984-85 – 2746	1989-90 – 2264	1994-95 – 2394	1999-00 – 2648	2004-05 – 2,684	

ENROLLMENT IN EACH SCHOOL AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

GRADE	MACY	SOUTH	STALL BROOK	MIDDLE SCHOOL	HIGH SCHOOL	PRIMAVERA CENTER	TOTALS BY GRADE
Kind.	51	93	48				192
K/Gr 1			8				8
1	59	70	56				185
2	51	75	41				167
2/4		4					4
3	57	77	45				179
4	59	88	61				208
5				222			222
6				181			181
5/6				5			5
7				192			192
8				217			217
7/8				9			9
9					190	9	199
10					197	8	205
11					185	8	193
12					178	7	185
9/12					8		8
TOTAL	277	407	259	826	758	32	2559

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORTS:

CLARA MACY SCHOOL -Ms. Jaime A. Dorr, Principal

Our mission at the Clara Macy School is to provide each student with the highest quality education in a safe and healthy community based environment. We strive to create an

atmosphere of high expectations within a collaborative network of students, staff, parents, and community members who encourage students to achieve rigorous academic standards and reach their potential. Instructional decisions are made based on the curriculum frameworks, assessment data, scientifically based research, technological advancements, and current pedagogy. Our goal is to celebrate individual accomplishments, demonstrate respect for each other and the world around us, foster lifelong learners, and guide all students as they become contributing member of society

The results of the 2007 MCAS assessment continue to indicate strong student achievement. Maintaining a focus on small group instruction through in-class support is a primary factor in this achievement. The combination of instructional programs and strategies supported by scientifically based research along with the consistent efforts of a dedicated and capable staff are responsible for continued student achievement.

The results of the standardized assessments such as the MCAS Assessment as well as individualized assessments given within the classroom setting form the basis of our instructional decisions. The staff collaborated to analyze the MCAS questions, identifying the specific skills, content, and vocabulary students are expected to know. This analysis was followed by an in-depth analysis of the student responses on both an individual and school wide basis. The resulting data was combined with the assessment data being collected within the classroom to determine the most effective instructional path. Instructional decisions being made in all content areas are data driven in order to target individual needs and strengthen instructional practices.

An important goal at Macy School is to develop the literacy skills each student needs to become a proficient reader and writer. We have created a balanced literacy approach that meets the individual literacy needs of all learners. Specialized reading programs such as *Reading Recovery*, *Early Success*, and *Soliloquy* continue to be utilized to support the classroom reading instruction and target specific skills. In addition, the *Foundations Reading Program*, the early literacy component for the Wilson Reading System which specifically targets struggling readers, has been implemented in all kindergarten, grade 1, grade 2, and grade 3 classrooms. This program successfully supports the development of the decoding and encoding skills necessary to be fluent readers. The *Reading Recovery* program incorporates all five components of an effective reading program, as identified by the National Reading Panel, into specially developed *Reading Recovery* lessons. The structure and design of the program is consistent with a large body of substantial research on how children learn to read and write. The *Early Success* program provides grade one and two students with a structured reading program designed to foster phonemic awareness while supporting each student's ability to read text fluently and develop comprehension strategies. The *Soliloquy software* program is utilized in grades two through four to help improve reading fluency. Each reading program implemented meets the criteria of an effective reading program based on current scientific research. In addition, all teachers participate in ongoing professional development and collaboration in the areas of comprehensive literacy, the use of leveled books and guided reading. Teachers also receive ongoing professional development in the administration and analysis of individualized Reading Assessments such as the Developmental Reading Assessment-2 (DRA-2) and the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Reading Success (DIBELS) in order to determine student instructional needs.

Macy School continues to provide an environment that offers a variety of opportunities in order to meet individual learning needs of our students through a full

inclusion program. Reading specialists, speech therapists, and special educators provide academic support within each classroom in order to meet the academic needs of all students and provide for small group instruction. Each classroom is structured to provide an inclusive environment supporting the achievement of high standards for all students.

The commitment to maximize student achievement extends beyond the school day. In order to provide additional support to students, MCAS Review classes were offered both before and after school for students in grades three and four. These classes focused on the grade appropriate skills and strategies included in the MCAS assessment. After school reading clubs were offered to grade one students. This program utilized appropriately leveled text to support students development of the skills and strategies needed to become effective readers.

The Clara Macy School is committed to the establishment of a strong learning community comprised of parents, teachers, students, and community members. Many programs were held during the year to contribute toward the attainment of this goal. The fall open house was well attended and provided families with an informal opportunity to learn about the curriculum, routines and expectations of their child's classroom. During the month of November we celebrated American Education Week by inviting all families to join their children for lunch or snack. Over 200 people participated in this program which enabled them to share a part of their child's school day. The Winter Celebration highlighted the talents of all students and includes a special performance by the third and fourth grade chorus. A special performance was developed by the Physical Education which showcased the interdisciplinary aspects of the program. The Spring Arts Week provided an exciting conclusion to the school year with a week of cultural events and presentations that featured Asia. Artists such as Odaiko, Behind the Mask, and Mary Jo Maichack provided exciting and illuminating presentations

The Macy PTO continues to be a vibrant organization that provides enrichment programs as well as support for teacher initiatives and fieldtrips. Through the efforts of the PTO, the students enjoyed performances that focused on character values, the importance of reading, good test taking skills and imaginative and entertaining aspect of math. The annual Macy Holiday Happening has become a highlight of the holiday season. This festive event not only event raised significant funds for enrichment programs, but also provided an enjoyable evening in a community setting. Another favorite annual activity is the Holiday Shopping Spree where each child has the opportunity to purchase special gifts for their friends and family. The Macy Playground committee raised enough funds for the installation of Phase I of the playground project. In December we had a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the opening of our new playground. We truly appreciate the dedication and support of our PTO.

Macy School continues to benefit from a successful After School Program provided by the YMCA. New programs are continually being offered, some with a more academic component. The following programs have been implemented during previous years of the Macy after School Program: Super Sports, Krafty Kids, and Act Out. All programs have been well received and are very popular among the children. Participation in this program continues to increase.

SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – Kathryn D. Wilson, Principal

At South Elementary School we share a commitment to the achievement of all students. In support of that belief we recognize the differences that make us diverse and the similarities that make us one. By collaborating and encouraging acceptance of individual

differences, effective learning takes place in accordance with the philosophy of the Bellingham elementary schools.

We were very excited with the performance of the South Elementary students on MCAS in the spring of 2007. Students made gains in both English/language arts and mathematics. Our students are continuing to make adequate yearly progress in both areas. Analyzing student performance on these assessments as well as data from informal assessments provides us with information that drives our educational decisions. This process allows us to identify specific areas of focus within our instruction. As we continue to assess our students we continue to refine the educational programming provided to meet the individual needs of our students.

Literacy skills provide the foundation on which all other learning is built. Therefore it is a major focus of our students' days, as well as recent professional development provided to our teachers. Students receive direct instruction in phonics, word attack, comprehension strategies, and writing skills. Students practice test-taking skills to prepare for the MCAS. The Reading Recovery Program targets children in first grade and works on improving reading and writing skills. Many teachers have completed graduate level courses in literacy to enhance their reading programs. The Title I program sponsored after-school MCAS preparation classes, a Community Reading Day on March 2nd, and also conducted a Books and Bingo Night on February 28th for students and parents. This grant also provided funds for the purchase of multiple copies of leveled texts as we continue the development of our guided reading library.

To support our work in literacy, we held our first Read-a-thon in March and April. The theme was a "Reading Marathon." We created a course around the outside of the library with symbols of important points along the famous Boston Marathon route. As students read books, they filled out individual sneakers that were hung along the course. Students also kept logs of their reading and some got sponsors. More than 200 South students worked together to read over 900 books! This project also raised almost \$1,300.00 for books for our library. Special book plates are being inserted into books purchased with these funds to recognize the efforts of the students.

Our math curriculum has been reviewed and correlated to the state frameworks. All teachers now have copies of a scope and sequence for instruction. By integrating the Scott Foresman, Addison Wesley program, Every Day Counts Calendar Math and Investigations, students receive a balance of instruction in skills, concepts, and problem-solving. Students in first through fourth grade also work with Larson's math, a computer-based instructional supplement. This program provides further practice and individualization of instruction.

The science curriculum topics, based up the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, for third and fourth grade are now in place. Working with our Director of Curriculum we are revising our units of instruction for kindergarten through second grade. Instruction integrates Harcourt materials, teacher-created kits, literature and technology.

Technology continues to be used as a tool to enhance the educational experiences of our students. There are 22 computers in our lab, along with an LCD projector and a Smartboard. We have a document camera and a digital camera that can be used in classrooms. Each first through fourth grade classroom now has 5 computers. Many teachers have participated in technology professional development opportunities including Larson's Math

and Soliloquy, a reading fluency software program. Students can develop word processing skills within their own classrooms by utilizing the thirty Alpha Smarts on a cart. As a school we are working collaboratively with the Director of Technology to integrate technology across the curriculum to enhance our instruction.

The educational community of South Elementary School is not limited to the faculty and students. We believe it is only through the collaborative efforts of teachers, parents, students, community members, and administration that students will be able to maximize their achievement. In September, many parents visited the school for our annual Meet the Teacher Night. This was an opportunity for parents to learn about the classroom programs and how to enhance the educational process for their children. Parents were invited to attend a volunteer orientation in September. They were also invited to a "Principal Coffee" where information regarding student assessments was discussed. Parents attended conferences in November to discuss the progress of their children. Other events, such as the Educational Fair that was held on March 14th, provide opportunities for parents and families to visit the school and enjoy the students' successes.

During the spring, South Elementary School provided opportunities for our incoming kindergarten families to become acquainted with the school. We held an orientation program for parents and scheduled classroom visitations. A bus orientation program for incoming kindergarten students was conducted to familiarize them with bus procedures and safety. This was done to help create a smooth transition into the school.

"Firefighter Phil" is a program on fire safety that is presented to students in grades one to four. This program in conjunction with the "Learn Not to Burn" curriculum is funded by Bellingham businesses and a state grant. Firefighter Chris Mach provides additional fire safety programs for all our students.

The partnership between the home and school is strengthened by the cooperation of the South Elementary PTO. Congratulations to the officers who, by their leadership, have sponsored many wonderful activities for our students. Through successful fundraisers they have sponsored programs and activities for our students. These include cultural events and field trips for all students, a Holiday Bazaar, ice cream social, parties, and memory books. They provided Discovery Science programs for all students. The PTO sponsored many enrichment events for the school such as line-dancing classes, the Magic of Communication, Pumppernickel Puppets, the New England Percussionists, the Ned Show-a character building program, and Bob Thomas-Storyteller. They provided a variety of instructional materials including new die-cuts for our Ellison machine, rest mats for the new full-day kindergarten, and other materials to support and enhance learning. The PTO also sponsored a Memory Night for our fourth graders as they prepared to move on to fifth grade at the Middle School.

The School Council was formed as a result of the Education Reform Act of 1993. Parents and teachers are elected to the council for three-year terms. The School Council affords an opportunity for all members to review the school budget, develop school goals and create the school improvement plan. The Council has been very active in addressing and achieving the goals set forth in the school improvement plan this year.

Project Pride raises funds for South Elementary School. Funds are raised through our books fairs. They are used to provide additional instructional materials to enhance the educational experiences for the students at South. This year we have set aside funds to

purchase two new computers for our library and storage containers for the books in our guided reading library.

Thanks must go to the entire staff of the Bellingham School Administration Office for their guidance and help throughout the year. The students, parents, and staff that make up the South Elementary School community also deserve praise and recognition for all that they have accomplished again this year.

STALL BROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – Mrs. Helen Chamides, Principal

The mission of Stall Brook Elementary School is for teachers, parents, and staff to work together to create an outstanding educational environment that will build character, support learning, and prepare all students to become contributing citizens in our ever changing society. We are an educational community committed to:

- focusing on the importance of rigorous academic standards and exemplary student achievement
- facilitating learning in different learning styles
- providing an environment that inspires participation, responsible actions, problem solving, creativity, productivity, and the enhancement of self esteem
- involving family and community resources in various phases of the learning process
- supporting the work of a staff that is committed and dedicated to our mission

Instruction at Stall Brook Elementary School is child centered and focused on meeting the individual needs of our learners. Our teachers stress thinking skills and problem solving in mathematics; reading for interpretation and meaning in a variety of genres and in all subject areas; expository and creative writing that is thematically developed, well constructed, and able to capture the reader's interest; investigative learning in science; and understanding the world around us through relevant research and project design. In addition the integration of technology with all aspects of the curriculum has enhanced our students' learning experiences. Children at the elementary level learn best when they construct meaning on their own, work in heterogeneous cooperative groups, and develop strategies for independent problem solving. We currently have one special education K-1 classroom, one full day kindergarten, two half day kindergartens, three sections of first grade, two sections each of second and third grade, and three sections of fourth grade.

The analysis of data collected from a variety of ongoing assessments helps teachers form instruction, and students become more involved with setting goals for their own learning. For example reading assessments that are given several times a year help determine a child's strengths and weaknesses in oral language, phonemic awareness, phonics, concepts of print, letter recognition, sight words, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. The Harcourt Reading basal texts and flexible guided group instruction using appropriate leveled books provide the core for our balanced literacy program. Specialized programs such as Reading Recovery, Foundations, Wilson, Soliloquy, and Soar to Success help selected students receive additional help in literacy instruction. Narrative, persuasive, and expository writing skills are taught utilizing a variety of grade appropriate programs. Writing is integrated with all areas of the curriculum.

In mathematics we continue to use a combination of the Scott Foresman Addison Wesley textbook and “Mathematical Investigations”. The Investigations program is excellent for helping children understand concepts, expand their mathematical thinking, and use writing to explain their mathematical reasoning. The Scott Foresman program is excellent for reinforcing and practicing basic skills. Collecting assessment data in mathematics is just as important as in Literacy. Students in grades three and four use computer generated pre and post tests based on MCAS questions to help them plan learning goals. The Larson’s Math Program is used by all our students in grades 1-4 to help them practice basic math skills. This interactive computer program allows students to move at their own pace, and helps teachers to analyze individual student’s progress.

The Harcourt Science Program requires familiarity with the scientific method. Our staff has found the experiments very challenging, but the students have benefited from this exploratory method of learning. Teaching the Massachusetts Frameworks in Social Studies has meant locating instructional resources that match up with the state’s content standards. We have found that working together as a grade level, especially in grades three and four, has enabled our teachers to develop relevant, stimulating units of instruction. In addition our teachers now integrate literature with the social studies and frequently use the internet as a source of additional information to complement the textbooks. Evidence of the high quality of our students’ interactive, hands-on learning is showcased during the annual Educational Fair each spring.

There are many opportunities to provide additional instructional experiences for our students. Volunteers, who are often retired educators, work with remedial and advanced groups in math and reading. Our special education teachers, reading specialists, and speech and language pathologist plan and co-teach with classroom teachers every week. They may work with a small group of students on a specialized program, or they may serve as a second educator within the regular education classroom. Our Instructional Learning Assistants move from room to room throughout the day to work with small groups of children.

A school’s culture is reflected in the special programs it supports. Our Character Counts Program honors students monthly who exhibit good habits of character. Qualities such as honesty, generosity, courtesy, responsibility, caring, and optimism have been selected for this year. In addition there are many special days that have become part of the Stall Brook School culture. During the fall we let our imagination take hold as we celebrate Fantasy Friday on the last Friday in October. At home families decorate pumpkins and the PTO hosts a “Pumpkin Parade” and an evening of family entertainment. In November and December we stress the spirit of giving by organizing a food drive. No winter school day is more enjoyable than our “Cozy Winter Day” celebration in January. Blankets, stuffed animals, pajamas, and slippers arrive at school. Our students read poems and books about winter, write stories, listen to classical music, and snack on hot chocolate and cookies. The young children have been seen napping in the afternoon. In February we celebrate Friendship Week with a variety of meaningful activities including writing letters to those in the military. March is dedicated to READING and guest readers visited each classroom on “Read Across America Day”. The arts are very special at Stall Brook School and in addition to our annual third and fourth grade concerts, we plan “An Evening of Music and Art” when children display art work and demonstrate what they have learned in music class. As spring approaches we turn our attention to the environment and celebrate Earth Day with a number of special events and

school beautification projects. As in other years we conclude the year with our special Flag Day celebration.

The Stall Brook Parent Teacher Organization continues to be essential to our school's well being. Through their fund raising efforts, our PTO is able to sponsor family and community events, student field trips, cultural arts programs, and provide donations of instructional support materials to our school. Whether it's a skating party or movie night, an ice cream social or book fair, a school-wide assembly or holiday shop, Stall Brook parents are there to support our school. Our School Council works with our community partners of Barnes and Noble and Whole Foods to sponsor events such as an art show, an author's visit, or environmental projects. They have played a huge part in working with the town to make safety improvements to the Stall Brook property. This year the Council implemented a new P.A.V.E. program (The Parent Association for Volunteers in Education), and they plan and coordinate curriculum evenings as well as the end of the year family barbecue.

School is a very busy place. The Stall Brook community of parents, students, staff, and alumni is vibrant and active – celebrating children and families every day of the year.

SECONDARY SCHOOL REPORTS:

BELLINGHAM MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL – Elaine A. D'Alfonso, Principal

Bellingham Memorial Middle School is now in its sixth year of operation. The school houses 830 students in grades five through eight and is founded on traditional middle school concepts. The hopes and dreams of many teachers, parents and community members are embodied in the school's mission statement. Our mission is to provide each student with a safe, supportive and positive learning environment in which they can strive to achieve academic excellence and emerge as respectful and responsible members of the Bellingham community. Students in the Middle School enjoy a well-rounded curriculum that includes traditional courses as well as courses that allow them to explore personal interests and abilities. Special Needs students are fully integrated into regular education classrooms. Their academic endeavors are supported by a Special Needs teacher or Instructional Learning Assistant assigned to their classroom and by additional instructional time in the Resource Room under the direction of a Special Needs teacher.

Increasing student achievement continues to be the major focus of our school and our committed faculty and staff. Over the past year teachers have been meeting in content area and grade-level meetings to discuss ways in which to increase student achievement. As a result of our annual MCAS test result analysis, teachers are focusing on those areas and skills identified as needing improvement. In 80% of the 2007 MCAS tests taken in grades 5-8 BMMS scored above state average. Another of our academic focuses has been in Literacy. With financial support from a state literacy grant we have been able to purchase and administer standardized testing that focuses on diagnosing and assessing reading skills. These results are used to provide students with targeted instruction to improve reading skills. Much of our reading focus in grades seven and eight centers on reading in the content areas while the focus in grades five and six centers on fluency and comprehension. The addition of a Reading Specialist for grades 5 and 6 this year has allowed us to provide one-to-one support for students who struggle with reading as well as to bring additional reading enrichment to whole classrooms. Another focus of instruction is understanding and using mathematics. This focus has been enhanced with the addition of a math specialist in grades 7 and 8 who provides

additional instruction in this area. We appreciate the community's financial support in adding these two new positions and expect soon to see the benefits of adding these positions. Technology has had a tremendous influence on instruction and learning in the Middle School. All students in grades 7 and 8 take a half-year computer course while students at all grade levels have access to our computer labs and software to enhance their academic achievement. All students have home and school access to an Internet-based program called Study Island which provides MCAS support and remediation which includes practice and tutorials. Last year grade 8 students were chosen to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress testing that is sponsored by the federal government. This testing is commonly referred to as the "Nation's Report Card".

Over the past year we have focused on reducing bullying in our school by focusing students' attention on joining together to help others. Students, staff, parents and teachers have come together to contribute to a number of local, state and national projects throughout the year. Some of our contributions include: sending over 100 premie baby caps which were locally hand-knitted to Washington, D.C. as our contribution to the Caps to the Capital program which provides caps for premature babies in under privileged countries; creating Valentine cards in our computer classes that were sent to Veteran's Hospitals; providing monthly contributions to our local food pantry; hand-knitting over 35 red scarves which were sent to the Red Scarf Project; participating in the Scholastic Book Reading Program which provides reading books to struggling school districts; and sending care packages to soldiers in Iraq. In June the entire school came together on one day to participate in a Walk for Scleroderma Awareness and to watch several teachers have their heads shaved. These teachers volunteered to have their heads shaved if student contributions to the PAN-MASS Challenge Fund in support of teacher Michael Flynn's participation in this annual cancer fundraising event reached our goal. The goal was not only reached but exceeded. In September each student created a pinwheel that contained an essay on peace. These pinwheels were placed on our front lawn in honor of International Peace Day. These activities help to unite the wide range of grades we have in the building and to focus students on the needs of others.

Many after school activities are available to our students. The Middle School Student Council meets monthly and each year sponsors a very successful Thanksgiving food drive and Christmas toy drive. The Community Service Club involves students in volunteer projects in the community. The Community Service Club and the Student Council join together each year to assist the Ranieri family with their annual Wrentham Developmental Center Christmas party held here at the Middle School. The Drama Club production of *Annie* sold out on both evening's performances. Work has already begun on this year's production *Fiddler on the Roof*. These productions showcase our very talented students in all grades. Our after school Intramural sports program has met with tremendous success. In this program students are able to join classmates in after school sports for which there are no competitive try-outs. Students of all athletic abilities are encouraged to play and to develop camaraderie and sportsmanship skills while just having fun. Augmenting this program is the regular after school sports program which allows students to participate on competitive sports teams that include field hockey, boys and girls soccer, boys and girls basketball, baseball, and softball.

Students in the seventh and eighth grade are able to participate in the John Hopkins Youth Talent Search. Students qualified for this program by ranking in the 97%ile or above in standardized testing. Qualifying for this program allows students to take the SAT's in January 2007. Successful achievement in the SAT's will further qualify students for recognition by

Johns Hopkins and entrance into college-sponsored enrichment courses. Grade 8 students interested in attending Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School in Upton can begin this process in November when representatives from the school meet with the students to discuss programs available at BVRVTHS. Students are also invited to tour the school in December and submit their applications. Last year twenty-six grade 8 students were accepted at the school.

Grade 6 students continue the tradition begun in the elementary school of spending a week at an environmental camp. Again this year the entire sixth grade attended camp during the same week at Nature's Classroom in Charlton, Massachusetts. Grade 6 students also participate in the Police Department supported DARE program, a drug and alcohol prevention program. Each week for ten weeks two members of the Bellingham Police Department instruct sixth graders in good decision-making skills concerning the use of drugs and alcohol. The program culminates in a special DARE graduation ceremony. A new opportunity was offered last year to our students. They are able to participate in the National Geographic Geography Bee. All middle school students are encouraged to participate in the after school competition for one of ten semi-final positions. The semi-finalists then compete for the right to enter the state competition representing our school and ultimately, could earn the right to compete at the national level.

The Middle School PTO continues to be a vital part of the parental involvement in our school. Funds have been raised through many successful fund-raisers including our annual magazine drive that will provide students with many enrichment activities. Some of these activities included programs brought to the school from the Discovery Museum, Night Skies, Earth Balloon and Hero Art. Funds have also assisted in paying for field trips. For the first time this year the PTO funded the annual Grade 8 trip to the Challenger Program, a simulated space flight at the Christa McAuliffe Center at Framingham State College. Here students share in hands-on activities in preparation for "blast-off" into space and rendezvous with a comet. The PTO also sponsors Friday night dances for students in grades 7 and 8 as well as Family Fun Nights for students and their families in grades 5 and 6.

Under the guidance of our very talented and dedicated music teachers our music program continues to grow and shine. During the past year many concerts were performed by our grade-level bands and school choruses. The Grades 6, 7 and 8 bands also competes at the state music festival (MICCA) held annually here in Bellingham. Our Middle School Band now marches annually in the town's Memorial Day Parade. Every June the Eighth Grade Band travels to each elementary school and performs for the students. Due to the tremendous parental and community support we have outgrown the seating in our own auditorium and most of our performances take place in the high school auditorium. To support our growing music and arts program the Friends of the Arts was formed. In a short time this parent group has organized a very successful, sold-out Evening at the Pops Junior. This now annual fundraising event will provide funding to support enrichment activities in the arts for our students.

As mandated by the Education Reform Act of 1993 each school must have a School Council that meets regularly to develop and maintain a School Improvement Plan. This council is made up of parents, teachers, community members and the principal. The School Improvement Plan lists goals that will enhance not only the educational climate at the middle school but also the social, emotional, physical and behavioral needs of its students, faculty and staff.

To maintain communication with the community a middle school web site continues to be maintained by the principal. The community is encouraged to view this web site which relates current information on the programs at the middle school. The web site address is www.bellingham.k12.ma.us/ms/default.htm. Parent communication has been enhanced by the district purchase of the Connect-Ed Parent Notification System. This system allows us to provide parents with community outreach messages as well as emergency notifications.

As principal I would like to thank the community for it's continued support of Bellingham Memorial Middle School. Not only have you provided a facility that will house those "students in the middle," but also you have provided these students with the opportunity to benefit from a program that is developmentally responsive to middle school students and prepares them for success at the high school level.

BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL – Edward L. Fleury, Principal

Bellingham High School, in partnership with families and the community, recognizes that learning is a life-long process requiring a variety of educational experiences, resources, and expectations. Our mission is to provide students with opportunities to develop intellectually, socially, physically, and emotionally. In this ever-changing world, we are advocates for active and cooperative learning, respect for self and others, and promoting effective communication and analytical skills. Each student is challenged to actively participate in school and in the community and to assume responsibility for setting and achieving personal goals, while learning skills requisite for becoming a productive contributor to society.

As a mission-driven school, we are thankful for the community's high level of support in recent years. We are currently in the process of completing reports and preparing for our next decennial evaluation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (N.E.A.S.C.). This visit will take place in the fall of 2008. We are proud of the accomplishments that we have made since the 1998 evaluation, which include the construction of a new building and the creation and expansion of many programs. It is clear to the students and staff of Bellingham High School that we truly have the support of our community in providing and maintaining a state of the art facility and the support staff essential for it to be effective.

THE MISSION STATEMENT OF BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

In this diverse and evolving global society, the mission of Bellingham High School is to provide a supportive and challenging environment which fosters confident, successful and active life-long learners who contribute positively and responsibly to their community.

Expectations for Student Learning

Academic Expectations

Students will:

Learn to write, read and speak effectively; Demonstrate critical and creative thinking in problem solving; Organize and evaluate information to reach informed conclusions in collaboration with others; Utilize technology as a tool for learning

Social and Civic Expectations

Students will:

Display respect for teachers, staff, peers and themselves by obeying laws, rules and regulations; Develop a transition plan for post secondary life; Participate in activities that benefit self and community

GOALS FROM THE 2007-08 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

(Created by the School Council and approved by the Bellingham School Committee)

Goal #1 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School will begin the Self-Study process and be thoroughly prepared for the 2008 New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) Visiting Committee.

Goal #2 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall provide staff to reduce class sizes and counselor caseloads while continuing the availability of course offerings.

Goal #3 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall provide a safe and supportive school environment for students and staff.

Goal #4 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall provide the necessary staff and support service to raise the MCAS performance level of 90% of all of its students to the proficient or advanced level by the year 2010 (revised fall 2004.)

Goal #5 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall continue to enhance home-school-community connections for the benefit of educating the town's children, especially on the issues of wellness and the value of diversity.

Goal #6 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall compare metrics with other Metrowest communities on student outcomes for the purpose of improving teaching and learning at BHS.

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OVERVIEW OF CURRICULA

Bellingham High School offers a comprehensive program of studies for 765 students in grades 9-12. Our curriculum provides quality college preparatory programs in English, Science, Social Studies, Mathematics and Foreign Language. Additionally, a broad range of courses in Music, Art, Technology, Business and Wellness extend and enrich our core academic offerings. Each course is assigned an academic level that indicates the degree of difficulty. Presently, there are eight Advanced Placement courses offered to students in English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Biology, Chemistry, Spanish, U.S. History, European History and Music Theory. Spanish, French and Algebra I may be taken in grade 8 to advance to the next level in grade 9. Other curriculum offerings include independent study classes, student internships, Senior Project, Virtual High School program offerings, high school enrichment classes at Dean College, and dual enrollment programs. Over seventy-five percent of the students participate in our co-curricular programs that include athletics, student council and class officers, art, music and related programs.

This fall we have placed a special focus on examining our assessment practices. An important step in this process is the continued alignment of our curricula to the State Frameworks and the development of performance benchmarks that will better enable us to connect what happens in the classroom to the school's overall mission. Beyond that, the English and Math departments have used professional development time to complete detailed analyses of the spring of 2007 MCAS results.

In the 2007-08 school year, plans are underway to expand the Senior Project and Internship programs and to offer courses in TV Production and advanced studio arts.

STAFFING

The BHS Staff consists of 51 teachers, one principal, one assistant principal, an athletic director, a guidance director, three full-time guidance counselors, a school adjustment counselor, a special education team coordinator, a part-time special education psychologist, a librarian, a school resource officer and a school-to-career specialist. A support staff of secretaries, aides, custodians, food service workers and computer personnel all contribute to the effective operation of the school.

The following individuals joined BHS's competent staff, filling the new positions, or vacant ones created by retirements or resignations:

Mr. Edward Fleury – Principal
Mr. Thomas Forbes – Vice Principal
Mr. Leo Dalpe – Athletic Director
Mr. Joseph Lancour – Social Studies Teacher
Mr. Robert Siciliano – Social Studies Teacher
Mr. George Beck – Math Teacher
Mrs. Amy-June Remy – Math Teacher
Mrs. Paula Roberts – Math Teacher
Dr. Carey Medin – Science Teacher
Dr. Tim Smith – Science Teacher
Mr. Patrick Sweeney – Psychologist
Ms. Rachel DiNobile – World Language
Ms. Kristin Hill – Special Education Teacher
Mr. Mark D'Angelo – Special Education Teacher
Mrs. Heather Molloy – Photography Teacher/Graphic Design

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The English department is chaired by Mr. Arthur Plante and includes seven teachers.

Highlights

- During the first week of school, students in all core English courses (9-12) had instructions on how to avoid plagiarism. In addition, mandatory requirements for research papers with MLA documentation style were implemented within full year courses.
- The *Vocabulary from Classical Roots*, a new vocabulary series, was received and instituted within freshmen, sophomore, and junior core English courses.
- Students in both English 9 and World Literature (grade10) courses, besides having consistent individual classroom MCAS preparations, followed a prescribed timetable for additional open response practices. Commenced in December (2006), and administered monthly through March, six different practice class sets of mandatory open response questions with applicable rubrics, derived from past MCAS yearly tests, were systematically employed.
- At the February department meeting, MCAS review packets were distributed. Intensive MCAS review periods (2-4 days) were undertaken in all World Literature (grade 10) classes during the first week of April.
- Course descriptions for every English course, including all electives, were rewritten for the 2007-2008 Program of Studies.

- After writing children's short stories, some English 12 classes, on an organized field trip, had shared their original creations with fourth grade students at South Elementary School.
- Fifty percent of the English Department was appointed to the first posting of the Curriculum Review Revision Team, and they completed English 9 and World Literature curricula. In addition, after the second posting, American Literature (grade 11) and English Literature (grade 11) curriculum revisions were finalized by twenty-five percent of the department.
- Analytical reviews of Reading Lab and English 9 course outlines were completed.
- So that students' progress could be collectively monitored, on-going assessments from January-June regarding "seniors in danger," had been monitored and periodically given to the Guidance Department and to the principal. As an additional avenue for extra help, the English Department, in conjunction with the National Honor Society advisor, arranged after school tutoring by NHS members. Furthermore, to improve communication and to focus on academic deficiencies of every senior who was in danger of not graduating, grade 12 English teachers sent letters home to parents that outlined problematic areas and highlighted measures for improvement.
- The College Board had authorized the Advanced Placement English Language and Composition and the Advanced Placement English Literature and Composition syllabi.
- For departmental use, an "MCAS Central" area was established in the English office. Resources including yearly analyses, sample tests and open response questions, long composition prompts and year-specific MCAS binders have been made available.
- The spring 2007 MCAS ELA data showed a 6% increase (representative of 14% of the tenth grade) in the Advanced Level over the previous year. Moreover, this gain was the highest percentage since the first MCAS test a decade ago. Aggregate and subgroups of the 2007 MCAS ELA testing, reported by the Massachusetts D.O.E., indicated that the AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress), required by the NCLB Act, had a "high performance" rating and an "on target" rating for improvement.
- In September and October, students in English 9 and in World Literature (grade 10) had lessons, practices, tips, and strategies on taking the verbal sections of the PSATs.
- For the second consecutive year, in partnership with the Guidance Department, all seniors used the BHS English Department's résumé template and "Guidelines for the High School Résumé" to write résumés to accompany the college application process.
- In October, the English Department Chair met with the Bellingham Middle School's English Language Arts teachers (grades 5-8) to review the direction of the English Department's last three years. Additionally, the focus was on the English 9 curriculum.
- At the November department meeting, data from the 2007 MCAS ELA Test and from the 2006 PSAT/NMQT in critical reading and in writing were scrutinized via item analyses.
- This school year, the identification of "seniors in danger" was initiated after the first marking period in November, rather than at the mid-term period, and will continue throughout the remainder of the academic year.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Mathematics department is chaired by Mrs. Victoria Sanocki and includes six teachers.

Highlights

- 69% of our students scored Advanced or Proficient on the 2007 Math MCAS exam and 6% failed MCAS (well below the state average of 9%). These results reflect adequate yearly progress according to state reports.
- All sophomores and juniors took the PSAT test, as they did last year.
- Four students attended a computer programming competition at Providence College in March.
- Sudoku challenges were held on a weekly basis.
- Mr. Withee became advisor of the Math Club in the fall of 2007.
- A computer mathematics lab was created for all mathematics classes to use on a regularly scheduled basis. Each Mathematics class is required to participate once every fourteen scheduled class days. Software programs have appropriate material for all levels of math to either enrich, remediate or reinforce classroom activities. Software programs are also used for individual student MCAS practice and remediation.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Science and Technology department is chaired by Mrs. JoAnn Masterson and includes ten teachers.

Highlights

- Curriculum in the following disciplines were reviewed and revised during the summer of 2007:
 - Physical Science
 - Biology
 - Chemistry (partially completed)
 - Physics
 - Accounting
- Curriculum Guides have been formulated and are currently being used to continue to meet MA Science Frameworks.
- Curriculum is also currently being reviewed in the former Smart Lab courses. These courses are now directed toward advancing student computer skills at the high school level.
- 91% of the class of 2010 passed the Technology and Engineering MCAS in June 2007.
- This figure indicates that only 17 out of 189 Bellingham High School students will need to retake the MCAS Science Test as sophomores in order to graduate in 2010.
- Our failure rate of 9% is well below the state average of 24%.
- AP Chemistry and AP Biology syllabi have both been accepted by the AP Collegeboard for the 2007-2008 school year.
- Student Career Opportunity Outreach Program (S.C.O.O.P.) - Interested Anatomy and Physiology students will attend the Student Career Opportunity Outreach Program (S.C.O.O.P.) in December of 2007. Students visit Boston Children's Hospital and participate in a daylong shadowing program in efforts to communicate, educate, and inspire students to consider nursing as a career. Approximately 20 students attend on each outing.
- DNA Transformation Lab Session at the Museum of Science- Dr. Branca accompanied fifteen Chemistry Club members to the MOS in order to participate in this fieldtrip during the spring of 2007.

- Deep Sea Fishing- Plymouth, MA- Marine Science students had the opportunity to attend this fieldtrip in October 2007. Forty students participated.
- Body Worlds 2 at the Museum of Science- Thirty five Anatomy and Physiology students attended this fieldtrip in January 2007. .
- “CSI-The Experience” at the Museum of Science- Thirty five students in the biotechnology cohort through the BioTeach Grant will attend this fieldtrip in December 2007.
- Marine Science Symposium- Massachusetts Marine Educators Association sponsors this annual fieldtrip for any high school student who is interested in a career in Marine Science. In March 2007, twelve students participated in this fieldtrip to UMASS Dartmouth.
- The Massachusetts Biotechnology Education Foundation has awarded Bellingham High School’s Science and Technology Department a fourteen thousand dollar grant with sustainable monies for seven years to promote the discipline of Biotechnology. The MassBioTeach Grant will work in conjunction with an additional \$7,000 grant that has been awarded to the BHS Guidance Department in Biotechnology Career Exploration.
- Our team of biotechnology-trained teachers; Mr. Henderson, Mrs. Coler, and Miss Mysiuk were trained in the summer of 2007 in the labs that the students will experience in February 2008 when the mobile lab comes to BHS for three days to help students experience the discipline of biotechnology.
- This grant will allow the Science and Technology Department to purchase expensive equipment that will enable students to engage in biotechnology activities in coming years without the help of the mobile lab but with the benefit of equipment, supplies, and training.
- The Science and Technology Department in conjunction with the Guidance Department and the District Curriculum Director are reviewing and restructuring the science pathway options for incoming freshman. This revision will help BHS:
 - align current curriculum
 - address the changing MCAS requirements
 - improve MCAS scores
 - develop remediation programs
- Yearbook will return to being an extra curriculum activity after a pilot semester revealed a need for more than 48 minutes per period to get projects accomplished. This will also enable more students to participate in this activity.
- Smart Lab is in the process of being revised to include basic and advanced computer skills for our students.
- The BHS Chemistry Store Room has been revamped to increase the safety of staff and students. Work was completed with the help of the Sci/Tech Department and the Bellingham Fire Department during the summer of 2007.
 - Flinn Chemventory- Electronic Chemical Inventory Program instituted
 - Flinn Chemical Storage Organization Plan instituted
 - Chemical Disposal Plan initiated
 - Lab rooms fitted with proper extinguishers, fire blankets, functioning fume hoods, eyewashes, and deluge showers.
 - Science Classroom Safety Checklists: goggles and aprons
 - Lab Notification Forms
 - Lab Incident Forms
 - Right To Know Centers- Material Safety Data Sheet(MSDS) Binders compiled and located in Sci/Tech Office, Principal’s Office, BFD, and

Chemistry rooms.

- The BHS custodial staff has been instrumental in assisting our the Sci/Tech department this year. They have been responsible for:
- Providing guided tours of the heating and cooling systems of the High School to our physical science classes.
- Fitting the science labs with new extinguishers and fire blankets and ensuring that our existing equipment is routinely maintained.
- Constructed a cabinet on wheels for a portable dishwasher for the chemistry and biology labs to ensure glassware is thoroughly cleaned before reusing.
- Constructed metal ramps for the physical science classes to use for their unit on motion and friction.
- Mrs. Seery advises the "Relay for Life" Club.
- Dr. Branca advises the "Chemistry Club".
- Mr. LaRue advises the "Computer Games Club".

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Social Studies department is chaired by Mr. Stephen McDonough and includes six teachers.

Highlights

- The department continues to enhance classroom offerings with the addition of Asian Studies.
- The department has adopted a universal, statewide rubric for assessing student performance.
- Department members have attended specialized programs to upgrade their professional development in the area of AP course instruction.
- In the past year, the social studies high school and middle school staff have begun discussion of new pathways to facilitate proficient MCAS scores when the exam is finally offered. Continued discussion is of extreme importance.
- In the past year, the department has discussed the mass curriculum frameworks and their application to BHS course curriculum.
- In the past year, the department has begun creation of departmentalized exams for core courses.
- The department continues to enhance classroom offerings with extra-curricular experiences such as Mr. Suffoletto's award winning Mock Trial Team.
- The AP European History class attended a field trip to the Regal Cinemas to view Elizabeth "The Golden Age".
- AP European and AP US curriculum were approved by the College Board.

WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The World Language department is chaired by Mrs. Josette Kaplan and includes four teachers.

Highlights

- In March, students in Mrs. Kaplan's Latin class participated in the National Latin Exam. The results were nothing short of outstanding, as most of the students (15) received either a gold or silver medals and earned certificates of distinction.

- In preparation for teaching both Spanish IV and AP Spanish, Ms. McDonald attended a 4-Day AP Spanish Language Workshop in June. Her objective was to familiarize herself with the AP curriculum as well as to learn about the new components of the Exam. According to Mrs. McDonald, “the best way for teachers to learn and add teaching strategies, supplemental reading materials, and to get help with planning for a course (especially A.P.) is to meet and share with other teachers.”
- This fall, the World Language Department of Bellingham High School started offering a beginning German class. Twenty students are presently enrolled in the class, most of who are seniors. According to Mrs. Sivyllis, instructor of the course, “in the coming years, the program could develop into a student wide language option starting freshman year. Each year, a new level of German would be added to accommodate the previous year’s pupils. Ideally, this curriculum would serve up to year 4/AP German as students reach that level of ability. Having a full four-year language program provides options and further cultural integration for our students. The availability of another language course is vital to opening minds and inspiring learning.” However, budget and personnel limitations are a definite factor in the continuation of the program.
- There are ongoing efforts to coordinate the World Language curricula between the middle school and the high school. Recently, Mrs. Josette Kaplan, Chair of the Department at the high school, met with Rosalie Lamontagne, French and Spanish Teacher at the Middle School, and Mrs. Elaine D’Alfonso, Principal of the Middle School, to continue this dialogue and to raise mutual awareness of existing programs and offerings at both schools.
- Mrs. Grace McDonald of the World Language Department, Mrs. Susan Seery of the Science Department, Miss Melissa Newman of the Docutech Office, along with four other adult chaperones will be taking 41 sophomores, juniors, and seniors to a school approved trip to Spain for 10 days, starting before the April break (April 16th or 17th), 2008, and ending on April 26th or 27th, 2008. According to Mrs. McDonald, “the purpose of this trip is two-fold: a) to encourage and support student international travel and promote cultural understanding, and b) to provide authentic surroundings in which students of Spanish may utilize the skills they have acquired.” Students who do extra work may earn High School and Advanced Placement credits through EF Tours, sponsors of this trip.

WELLNESS /FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT HEALTH

Staffing

The Wellness/Fine Arts department is chaired by Ms. Sandra Xenos and includes five teachers.

Highlights

- The Wellness/Health Department continues to develop new curriculum and activities for Bellingham students, by directing its focus on preventative programs, which address quality of life concerns and issues. The physical education component continued development of the lifelong wellness and fitness curriculum and basic fundamental skill development, at the ninth and tenth grade level Concentration on lifetime activities for juniors and seniors align the curriculum. Students obtain extensive individualized training on fitness equipment and the opportunity to develop personal fitness and nutrition plans that they will utilize throughout their adult lives.

- Within the health component, addressing the various domains of mental, emotional, social, spiritual and intellectual health are the areas of focus for the ninth and tenth grade. Eleventh grade students are introduced to The American Red Cross Course, Community Health and Safety and its wide range of opportunities for hands-on learning, leadership skills and life saving techniques. Seniors participate in the Alcohol 101 program, which takes a realistic approach to educate students regarding the use and abuse of alcohol. The program's ultimate goal is to educate students to make responsible decisions and positive choices that will have an affect on their over-all lives.
- Thirty staff members from throughout the district participated and were certified in Standard First Aid, C.P.R., AED/Adult, Child and Infant, this course allows Epi-pen administration K-12. This class was taught by Sandy Xenos; certified American Red Cross Instructor.
- Alcohol 101 for seniors continued its initiative that develops programs, strategies and tactics to combat drunk driving and underage drinking.
- Habitat for Humanity, a social action group organized by Carlos Costa participated in development projects, in urban areas, in Providence, RI.
- The Wellness/Fine Arts Department Chair attended the state conference sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.
- Eleventh grade students scheduled in the Health Component of Wellness were introduced to the Standard first Aid, C.P.R., AED/Adult, Child and Infant Course.
- Many of these students will receive certification upon completion of the course.
- A Red Cross Club was initiated in conjunction with the same class.
- This program was presented by a former BHS student that currently is connected with the American Red Cross of Mass Bay, in Boston. The same chapter for which, our resident Red Cross Instructor is a member. The Red Cross Club mirrors our Mission Statement at BHS. It will allow students the opportunity to serve their community, become good citizens, and develop confidence, leadership skills and character. The plan is to initiate the program with these eleventh grade students for 2007-2008 and in 2008-2009 when these students are seniors, we will request the allocation of funds to implement the club grades 9-12. The Red Cross Club will empower students with the tools to utilize during a crisis, to gain experience on Shelter Operation, in case of a disaster and educate students on natural disaster preparedness and response. This offers possibilities for career opportunities, volunteerism and teaches life skills that will be utilized throughout their adult lives.
- Alcohol 101 was up-graded to Alcohol 101 Plus. Thirty-five CD-ROMS and a Facilitator's Guide were sent to BHS from the Century Council, founded in 1991 and funded by America's leading distillers. These materials were obtained at no cost to the school system. It was developed as an extension of Alcohol 101, by bringing college alcohol experts, government agencies and the U.S. Department of Education together and increasing the use of technology within the curriculum.
- The Wellness Department, in collaboration with the Athletic Department, as a pro-active approach regarding the health concerns and issues related to infections, conducted a campaign enlisting the assistance of Student/Athletes at BHS. The objective was to bring awareness through presentations, discussions, visual aids and the production of posters, which were displayed throughout the school community as to the importance of individual hygiene and cleanliness, directly related to over-all health.

- The Wellness Department, in collaboration with the Guidance Department is developing strategies to address issues, conduct presentations and facilitate meetings, related to diversity and bullying.
- Vertical Articulation was conducted by the Wellness/Fine Arts Department Chair at the Middle School, with the focus on Wellness/Health and to promote progression in curriculum development. Plans are underway to address instructors and discuss strategies K-12 in February 2008.

ART

Staffing

Mrs. Finlay teaches all related art courses.

Highlights

- Art/Music collaboration: Interdisciplinary lesson involving Art II and History of Rock and Roll students, "Envisioning Music and Listening to a Painting." The completed paintings and the music were displayed in the main foyer at BHS.
- Renee Finlay attended an Institute for Education development in Hartford: Engaging Visual Projects for Enhancing Your Art Program.

MUSIC

Staffing

Mrs. Forte teaches music and band. Mrs. Spencer teaches chorus.

Highlights

- The year 2007 has been a very busy and productive time for Bellingham High School Music program. Beginning in January 2007, the Bellingham High School Wind Ensemble performed at a special joint concert at Rhode Island College as part of the masters conducting program. BHS Wind Ensemble and Marie Forte, conductor, performed during the second half of the concert while professional musicians were featured during the first half with chamber music. While preparing for this concert, students worked with Dr. Robert Franzblau in adding final changes to the program.
- In March, three of our large ensembles at BHS: Concert Band and Wind Ensemble conducted by Marie Forte and Chorus, conducted by Monica Spencer, participated in the Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors Association Festival all earning Silver medals. To prepare for this festival, special guest conductor Andrew Boysen, UNH Music professor, rehearsed our Wind Ensemble to help prepare his piece of music, "I Am." The Chorus invited John Finney, Boston College Symphony Orchestra conductor, as a guest conductor to BHS to help prepare for their MICCA performance. Bellingham once again hosted this music festival with over 1500 students participating at BHS alone over the course of 2 days in the spring of 2007.
- Our annual Spring Concert and Pops Night were held again with large audiences and included performances of our Winter Colorguard, Jazz Band, Female Ensemble, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Winds, Chorus and Concert Band. In May, the Bellingham High Marching Band performed at the town's Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony supporting our veterans and their families. Our Jazz Band also traveled to Macy School in celebration of the Macy Arts Week as featured performers for the students in grades K-4. In June, the music department traveled to New York City on a two-day trip to visit Lincoln Center, World Trade Center Memorial and Museum, and watched "Mamma Mia" on Broadway.

BHS Concert Band once again supported the graduating class of BHS with their performances at both Awards Night and Graduation here at BHS.

- Individual students were honored in the spring of 2007 based on individual music auditions. Seven students were selected and participated in the Central District Honors Festival at Mechanics Hall. In addition, one student was selected to participate in the All-State Music Festival at Symphony Hall, Boston, MA and the same student was selected to participate in the All-Eastern Honors Festival in Hartford, CT. In November 2007, fifteen auditioned individually for Central District Honors Festival, with four students being selected for spring 2008.
- Special projects in our music electives included a unique collaboration project with visual arts in the study and design of 12-tone music with graphic art. Students studied the music of Schoenberg and composed independent 12 tone/Serial compositions while art students created serial art projects. Students were able to make connections between these arts areas by exchanging works and creating new pieces of art/music based on the principles of serialism.
- In the fall of 2007, the music program, with help from the technology director, adopted a new software program that will be used in all performing music courses. The software program, SmartMusic, will be used as a virtual accompanying system for students while they sing or play instruments. The program will also record and email teachers the students' performances and compile a portfolio of work for the students as they develop through the four years of high school.
- The Bellingham Marching Band started their fall 2007 season with a full week of Band Camp at BHS and included five home performances and the AutumnFest Parade in Woonsocket, RI.
- The Band also traveled to Brockton High School in October to watch an open dress rehearsal of the "President's Own" Marine Band on their national tour. This open dress rehearsal was a unique opportunity to hear the best wind and percussion musicians in the USA perform some of the world's most challenging music for concert band.
- In November, the Rhode Island College Brass Quintet consisting of RIC Brass professors visited BHS to perform for our band students and give an informational demonstration on chamber music.
- Recently, BHS Chorus with conductor Monica Spencer performed at Bellingham's Annual Tree Lighting at the Town Common on November 24th. All of our large ensembles will be performing in our annual Winter Concert on Thursday, December 6th at 7:30 p.m. in the BHS Auditorium.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Librarian is Mrs. Margaret Phoenix.

Highlights

- Held BHS library orientation for every freshman English class.
- Collaborated with the teen librarian, Leslianne LaVallee from Bellingham Public Library on presentation for the freshmen
- Celebrated Banned Books Week
- BHS Library web page on teacherweb.com
- Improved academic tone for library studies during the school day

- Coordinated with Mrs. Nadeau's students to shelve fiction books for some practical, real world experience
- Hosts DDR Club Wednesday afternoons

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Guidance staff includes a Guidance Department Director Peter Marano, three full-time counselors, one adjustment counselor, a part-time career specialist, two interns, and a secretary.

Highlights

- On June 6, 2007, the senior class participated in an evening presentation of awards and scholarships. Many scholarships were granted by colleges and universities. In addition to the school-based scholarships, there were 81 local monetary awards presented to the graduates of the class of 2007. These scholarships were sponsored by local businesses, civic groups and organizations or by individual families/friends in memory of a loved one. The total amount of local scholarship awards was \$65,950.00. Awards were presented in many categories. Awards include medals, pins, trophies, books, plaques and certificates of merit.
- Over 50 colleges, universities, technical schools, and armed service representatives visit our school annually. This year, we invited all of the New England institutes of higher education to our fourth college fair at the high school. It was held in the high school library and main hallway on October 18, 2007, from 8:30 -10:30 AM. All seniors and those juniors who were in a study period during that time had the opportunity to meet with college representatives to pick up applications and view books and schedule interviews. Literature was available and admissions personnel answered questions for students, counselors and teachers. This successful event will be held again next year because it is less disruptive and more productive than having individual college representatives schedule visits throughout the fall.
- On December 11, 2007 at 6:30 pm a "Financial Aid Information Night" will be held for students and their parents. The Assistant Director of Financial Aid from Northeastern University, Mr. Anthony Erwin, will be the guest speaker. Mr. Erwin will discuss the FAFSA, types of financial aid and how to work through the process. The Guidance Director and staff members will provide pamphlets and resources on financial assistance.
- On October 17, 2007, Bellingham High School Guidance Department administered the PSAT to all 10th and 11th grade students. The purpose is two fold:
 - Provide students 2 years worth of practice and exam analysis before they take the SAT in the spring of junior year. All students take the exam receive a detailed score report. The score report enhances the student's ability to review each test question, their answer and the correct answer with explanations.
 - The College Board provides an in depth item analysis (SOAS – summary of answers and skills). The SOAS indicates strengths and weaknesses in the curriculum, compare how students performed against National and State groups, identify skill areas in need of attention and is tied to the Mass Curriculum Frameworks.
- Bellingham continues to be a very active participant in School-to-Career programs. We encourage and support career development in our students and believe that every student

needs to have a plan beyond high school. We strongly believe in the importance of helping students make connections between what they are learning in school and opportunities in the workplace.

- In 2007, we sent students on the following career development field trips:
 - Boston Globe/WMRC Radio Station – exploring communication careers.
 - New England Institute of Technology
 - Construction Careers Day
 - Credit for life
 - Putnam Investments & Federal Reserve Bank
 - Career Cruising Day
 - Career Expo
 - Scoop @ Boston Children's Hospital
 - Our job shadow program continues to grow every year. In 2007, we sent 287 students in grades 8-11 on a job shadow day.
- Our Career Specialist works closely with students to provide work-based learning opportunities. Internship placements have continued to grow each year. During the 2006-2007, school year we placed 46 juniors and seniors at job placement sites in Bellingham as part of our Internship Course.
- For eight years, Bellingham High School has been the recipient of a grant from the Metro-West Regional Employment Board to fund a Career Specialist position. The Career Specialist's responsibilities are to counsel and place students in paid and unpaid internships and to work with the School-to Career Coordinator on facilitating job shadow opportunities, field trips and career speakers. Mrs. Joan Meilan has been appointed the Career Specialist as of May, 2006.
- The Guidance Department continues to provide updated information on the high school website (Bellingham.k12.ma.us). The website provides students and parents access to valuable information for both their secondary and post-secondary school years. It is updated with important information and opportunities on a regular basis.
- Recently the Guidance Department purchased Naviance. Naviance is a web-based tool that helps students in future planning. Naviance has many different components: college searches, journals, scholarships, email, and a personality inventory called "Do What You Are". Currently all juniors and seniors are registered. They are encouraged to use Naviance in their college process. In addition, we will be meeting with juniors in groups to access "Do What You Are". This online inventory matches personality and interests to possible careers. In the near future, all high school students will be guided through Naviance.
- Guidance provides brochures and articles on various topics and issues that affect today's youth. The BHS guidance brochure gives an overview of guidance services and resources that are available to students and families. A monthly newsletter for seniors contains helpful college and career information and important dates and deadlines. It is distributed to every senior and extra copies are available for parents in the Guidance office. A copy is also displayed on the website. We have created a "welcome packet" which will be updated yearly. It is available to new students and parents to explain the registration process and introduce them to the policies and procedures at Bellingham High School. The school profile is updated annually.
- Bellingham High School was awarded a Life Science Career Development Initiative (LSCDI) grant from the Massachusetts Biotechnology Educational Foundation in the

amount of \$7,000 for this academic year. The purpose of this grant is to institute a school based, collaborative leadership model that supports the development of academic, personal, and employability skills for students pursuing careers in the life science and biotechnology fields.

- The mission of the Life Science Career Development Initiative (LSCDI) grant is to develop a cohort group of 25-50 sophomore biology students who want to learn more about biotechnology and life science and provide those students with self-assessment and career exploration activities designed to increase their awareness, interest, and desire to pursue a career in the life science. These students will also be encouraged to take more science classes during high school and enroll in more challenging courses. Some of the planned activities in 2007-08 include career inventories, a Museum of Science SCI field trip, a power lunch with speakers from biotechnology companies, and a field trip to a local college to explore life sciences and college majors. Biotechnology companies from the Massachusetts Biotechnology Education Foundation will host on-site visits to their facilities and offer guest speakers to educate and encourage students to explore life science careers.
- Through the generosity of MassBioEd and these exciting grants, students will have an opportunity to participate in an exciting laboratory curriculum and see the relevance of science education. Utilizing the Massachusetts Comprehensive School Counseling Model, counselors will work with the science teachers to integrate career development activities into the applied science curriculum.
- The Guidance Department has continued to work on its developmental program. During the month of December, tenth grade students are visited by counselors in their English class. Counselors discuss the results of the standardized tests and PSATs. Counselors also talk about career planning and exploration, college process, scheduling, credits, graduation requirements, and academic issues. In addition, counselors discuss study skills, time management strategies, the importance of homework and the role of Guidance.
- The Guidance Department is also committed to sponsoring and organizing programs, which focus on information, intervention, and prevention.
 - Metro West Grant
 - Internet Safety
 - Social Host Liability
 - Health Relationships
- On January 3, 2007, our annual Alumni Day was held. Graduates from the class of 2006 spent the day visiting classes and teachers to share their college, job, and military experiences.
- On September 18, 2007, the Guidance department invited seniors and their parents to attend an informational meeting in the Bellingham High School Lecture Hall. Guidance Counselors reviewed the college application process, college requirements and answered questions. Approximately ninety parents attended the presentation.
- On March 2007, juniors and their parents were invited to attend an informational meeting in the Bellingham High School Lecture Hall. An Admissions Officer from Stonehill College and members of the Guidance Department were on hand to discuss and answer questions regarding the college admission process.
- Eighty-two local scholarship sponsors were available to the graduates of the Class of 2007. These scholarships, sponsored by local businesses, civic groups and organizations, offered more than \$65,950.00 in scholarship awards. Scholarship recipients are recognized during

the awards night, many of which are announced for the first time on this occasion. Most local scholarship applications are distributed and collected directly through the Guidance office. Many community, regional, and national scholarships are also available in the Guidance office. They are advertised in Naviance, senior newsletters, on Guidance bulletin boards and in local newspapers. Students in the Class of 2007 were awarded numerous scholarships and are taking advantage of this financial assistance to further their education.

- In addition to scholarships available to all graduates, the Guidance department coordinated the following special scholarship/award programs:
 - Norfolk County Teacher's Association Scholarship Award
 - AP Scholar Award
 - Voice of Democracy Contest (open to grades 9-12)
 - Honor Scholars Night (grade 12)
 - DAR Citizenship Award Scholarship Program (grade 12)
 - Presidential Academic Fitness Award Program (grade 12)
 - AFL/CIO Scholarship Competition (grade 12)
 - Lion's Club Oratorical Contest (grade 11 and 12)
 - Principal's Leadership Award (grade 12)
 - Toyota Scholar's Award (grade 12)
 - Commonwealth Award for Exemplary Community Service (grade 12)
 - Coca-Cola Scholarship (grade 12)
- Awarded John and Abigail Adams Scholarship to forty-four (44) students in the Class of 2008 and fifty-three (53) students in the Class of 2007 for their performance on the MCAS exams. Each is eligible to receive free tuition for four years at any college or university in the UMass system.
- Engaging in efforts to address issues documented in state-sponsored Youth Risk Behavior Survey by utilizing school resources and BRIDGES grant for counseling resources; conducting depression screenings and school-wide assemblies on dating violence and alcohol & drug abuse.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Athletic Director is Mr. Leo Dalpe.

Highlights

- Over 67% of the student body participated in athletics.
- The winter Captain's Club attended the MIAA Leadership Training Conference in January along with our trainer, Kristen Sasonoff.
- Anne Spont and Matt White were recipients of the 2007 BHS Scholastic Athletic Award.
- Kate Carnaroli received the Daniel F. Gibbons Memorial Award for performance in track.
- Kate Ranieri and Leanne Fitzgerald represented BHS at the National Girls and Women in Sports Day at Faneuil Hall in February.
- The Baseball team won the TVL championship. The following teams qualified for state tournament play in 2007: Field Hockey, Boys Basketball, Baseball and Softball.
- In November, the Fall Cheerleading squad placed 4th at the TVL competition.
- Kristen Sasonoff, the athletic trainer, and Ben Cavicchi, Meghan Driscoll, Laura Houde, Kyle Martin and Tyler Metcalf attended the 14th Annual MIAA/MSSADA Sportsmanship Summit at Gillette Stadium in November.
- Girls Lacrosse was offered at the Varsity level for the first time in school history.

- Athletic offerings included 17 Varsity sports: Cross Country, Cheerleading, Field Hockey, Football, Golf, Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Ice Hockey, winter Track, Wrestling, Baseball, Boys and Girls Lacrosse, Softball and spring Track
- There is a chemical health presentation for parents and students each school year in the gymnasium.

HONOR SOCIETY

Staffing

The National Honor Society Advisor is Mrs. Josette Kaplan.

Highlights

- In February, the National Honor Society sponsored a calendar raffle to raise money for scholarships for three graduating seniors. In March, it held its seventh annual Fashion Show for various local charities, and, in early May, members participated in the Walk for Hunger in Boston and contributed thousands of dollars to that worthy cause. During the summer months, the students also were involved in numerous community efforts, ranging from shopping for the elderly to working with young kids. Prior to graduation, the NHS members were able to enjoy the fruits of their hard work by visiting Boston for the day and attending a show in the evening.
- The National Honor Society of Bellingham High School held its Annual Induction Ceremony on Thursday, October 18th, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. Five new seniors and 37 juniors were inducted, joining the ranks of the existing 37 members. This year's guest speaker was Mr. Samuel Cowell, graduate of the class of 1995, and, presently, French Teacher at King Phillip Middle School in Norfolk, Ma. Also speaking was Dr. T.C. Mattocks, Superintendent of Bellingham Public Schools, Mr. Edward Fleury, BHS Principal, Mrs. Josette Kaplan, Advisor to the NHS, and the five officers of the NHS. The candle-lighting event was complemented by a festive catered dinner in the cafeteria immediately following the ceremony.
- Since the Induction, members of the NHS have been intensely involved in a variety of activities ranging from participating in a Blood Drive at the High School sponsored by the American Red Cross, working at the Holiday Bazaar at South Elementary School, and helping out at the Halloween Bop at Macy, to raking leaves and shoveling snow for the elderly, tutoring, and a raft of other after school and evening community service projects, especially at the Bellingham Public Library.
- Besides upholding scholarship, leadership, and character, the National Honor Society is dedicated to the principle of community service.

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Special Education Coordinator is Mrs. Donna Fuller. There are also five special education teachers, four Instructional Learning Assistants and a one on one Instructional Learning Assistant.

Highlights

- The first step in referring a student for special education was to fill out a form that then is reviewed by the Teacher Assistance Team (T.A.T.). This team was made up of two regular educators, the school psychologist, and one special education teacher. The team reviews student records, interims, report cards, discipline, attendance, and teacher reports. The team then decides if accommodations would help the student, or if he/she should be tested.

- The special education department held forty-three annual review meetings for Individual Educational Plans. In addition, twenty-seven students were given a three-year re-evaluation. This consisted of administering the Woodcock test, the WISC test, and in some cases other tests to determine a math or reading disability. The team also used review of records, interims, report cards, observations, and teacher reports for the three-year re-evaluations.
- In addition, forty-two other meetings were held for progress review, for initial Individual Educational Plans, and for transition. The coordinator also attended eighteen transitional meetings at the middle school. These meetings were held to review course selections for the incoming freshmen and to answer any questions a parent might have about the special education program at the high school.
- The coordinator also meets with all the coordinators system wide at least once a month to review new regulations and policies regarding the Individual Educational Plans and to discuss smooth transitions from one building to the next.

CO-CURRICULAR OFFERINGS

CLASS & CLUBS

Chess Club; Class Government; Drama; "Dance, Dance Revolution" Club; Math Club; Mock Trial; Music performances (Band & Choral); National Honor Society; Newspaper; Peer Mediators; SADD; Science Club; Student Advisory; Student Council; Yearbook; Chemistry Club.

- The Student Council Advisors are Mrs. Heinricher and Mrs. Pearcey. The Student Council provides a service to the school and the community through participation and promotion of the following:
 - Grade eight high school tour – orientation and tour for all entering ninth graders held in June
 - Recycling – recycle bins are located in all rooms and offices in the high school and are regularly maintained by Student Council members
 - Spirit Week – many activities and competitions between classes are coordinated and monitored by the Student Council on an annual basis to raise money for scholarships
 - Skull Pop Sales – an annual fundraiser to raise money for scholarships and to support food and toy drives
 - Thanksgiving Food Drive – 24 turkeys and numerous food items were donated to needy families in the community
 - Christmas Toy Drive – toys collected are donated to the Food Pantry for distribution at Christmas
 - Christmas in the City- 25 Student Council members go into the city and serve many Boston area sheltered people dinner and help them receive their(most likely their only) Christmas gift.
- Mrs. Forte oversees the Music performances. Performing and demonstrating their artistic talents in numerous venues including:
 - The BHS Concert Band won the MICCA Silver Medal, in the standards-based statewide competition
 - Band and Choral performances at the school and in the community
 - Marching Band at Football games

- Mrs. Sjogren is the newspaper Advisor. The Eye of the Hawk is Bellingham High School's student newspaper. In addition to editing and formatting the final publication, the two co-editors are responsible for organizing and motivating the staff, which consists of approximately 15 students. Monthly staff meetings are held to assign article topics, discuss any issues, and set due dates. There is also a monthly editors meeting to revise, format, and discuss the upcoming publication. The newspaper continuously welcomes new members.
- Mr. Branca is the Chemistry Club Advisor. The Chemistry Club meets weekly and has a current membership of 19 students. Activities include fun, safe and educational extracurricular laboratory activities as well as field trips. In 2007, Chemistry Club members attended the Museum of Science in Boston to participate in a laboratory activity entitled "DNZ Transformation". Students have performed such lab activities as activity series of metals, identifying reactions, hydrogen-oxygen-powered micro rockets, "dancing gummi bears", and many others during the spring and fall of 2007.
- Melissa Newman and Mr. Mach are the SADD Advisors. SADD started strong this year with approximately 25 members. We agreed that our concentration would be on the seatbelt law. Our goal is to try to get all fellow students wearing their seatbelts every time they get into a car. We have incorporated this with the student-parking permit. Upon purchasing a permit, a contract is signed by students agreeing to wear their seatbelt and to make sure all passengers do, also. If caught without, the first offense requires the student, and any passengers, to watch a movie entitled RED ASPHALT. It show accidents of people who chose not to wear their seatbelt. Second offense, their parking permit would be suspended for a day, and the third they would lose their parking permit indefinitely. Parents also signed this contract so they are aware of the consequences. We also want to reward those who do obey the law. Randomly, the SADD members watch students arriving at school. If seatbelts are worn, gift certificates for free Blizzards at Dairy Queen have been given out. At the end of the year, anyone who has purchased a parking permit and has worn their seatbelt each time they get in a car will have their name put into a drawing to win a limo ride on prom night. SADD students also took part in a "Grim Reaper" day in November. Every 33 minutes during the course of the day, a toll rang over the intercom and a student was taken from a classroom by the "grim reaper". From that point on, as if they had died, that student was not allowed to speak, was dressed in black, and had their face painted gray with a teardrop. They also wore a sign saying what destructive decision killed them. A coffin was set up outside the cafeteria also. When students looked inside, they saw themselves in a mirror and around that mirror were different ways destructive decisions can kill. We are also working on a fundraiser of the first annual Bellingham Fire Fighter calendars. Fourteen town fire fighters volunteered to pose for this calendar. Images by Bob DiCaprio volunteered his time and donated the pictures to make the calendar possible. We are selling them for \$20.00.
- Mr. Withee is the Math Club Advisor. The Math Club meets on Wednesdays. They have approximately 7 members and their first competition was held on November 28.
- Mr. Withee is the Chess Club Advisor. The Chess Club meets on Thursdays. They have approximately 14 members and their first competitions were held on December 6.
- Mrs. Phoenix is the DDR Club Advisor. A group of about 15 students meets every Wednesday afternoon in the library for DDR (Dance, Dance Revolution) Club. In this kinesthetic video game, players strive to better their own scores as well as compete head to head with another dancer.

- Mr. Suffoletto is the Mock Trial Team Advisor. The Mock Trial Team competed in the 2007 State Tournament sponsored by the Massachusetts Bar Association. Twenty-three students had a chance to appear in court to argue the case as either a member of the prosecution or defense teams.
- Mr. Suffoletto is the Cable Club Advisor. The Cable Club produced a weekly TV show that aired every Friday called Hawk TV. Twenty students worked with people from Cable 8 to record and air a show that included news, sports, and weather. Utilizing the school's TV production classroom. Hawk News crew members are learning how to produce, direct, broadcast and edit through the creation of short programs that are shown on the school's closed-circuit system.
- The peer Mediation Coordinator is Mrs. Dunn-Nastasi. Bellingham High School has eight Peer Mediators. The Mediators are trained to listen and objectively problem solve toward peacefully resolving conflicts. Mediations are confidential, take place during the school day and are completely student led. The mediators help the disputants arrive at an agreement that is then put in writing. The Peer Mediation Coordinator is in charge of keeping a record of all mediations that take place.
- Mrs. Dennis and Mrs. Dunn-Nastasi are the GSA Coordinators. The GSA (The Gay Straight Alliance) after having a very limited membership last year of 5 now has 15 members. On November 15, we held a successful bake sale to help defer the cost of attending the GSA Leadership Conference in the spring. We hope to hold several more bake sales through out the year. We also sponsored a No Name Calling Week that took place in January and also The Day of Silence in April. Our goal is to offer students a safe place where they will feel acceptance and not be judged and also to increase acceptance of differences in our school environment.
- Mrs. Carey is the Drama Club Advisor. The Drama Club presents two plays annually and the group participates in a drama competition on an annual basis.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2007 AT BHS

- **99%** of the Class of 2007 received a Competency Determinations as a result of passing both the English Language Arts and Math MCAS Tests.
- *Project 2010*
 - Students are making significant gains towards achieving one of the Bellingham's Project 2010 goals - at least 90% of the students will score Advanced or Proficient on both MCAS exams by the year 2010.
 - **69%** of our students scored Advanced or Proficient on the 2007 Math MCAS exam (72% in 2006; 63% in 2005; and 49% in 2004).
 - **64%** of our students scored Advanced or Proficient on the 2007 ELA MCAS exam (75 in 2006; 67% in 2005; and 61% in 2004).

PARENT INVOLVEMENT & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- BHS School Council
- Meet the Teachers Night & Parent Conferences
- Friends of Music "Pops Night"
- Numerous parent athletic organizations
- Operation Graduation
- Metro-West Regional Employment Board (grant funds Career Specialist position)

- BRIDGES (grant funds School Adjustment Counselor position and provides link to regional health resources for BHS students)
- Roundtable (community-based justice program - collaborative effort between the Bellingham Police, District Attorneys' offices, the department of Social Services, the courts and the school) with monthly meetings held.
- Bellingham Public Library and Ben Franklin Savings Bank

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE DATA

COMPETENCY DETERMINATION & GRADUATION RATES (As of 12/07)

Class of 2007	99%
Class of 2006	99%
Class of 2005	99%
Class of 2004	98%
Class of 2003	96%
Percentage of students who graduated	
Class of 2002	97%
Class of 2001	97%

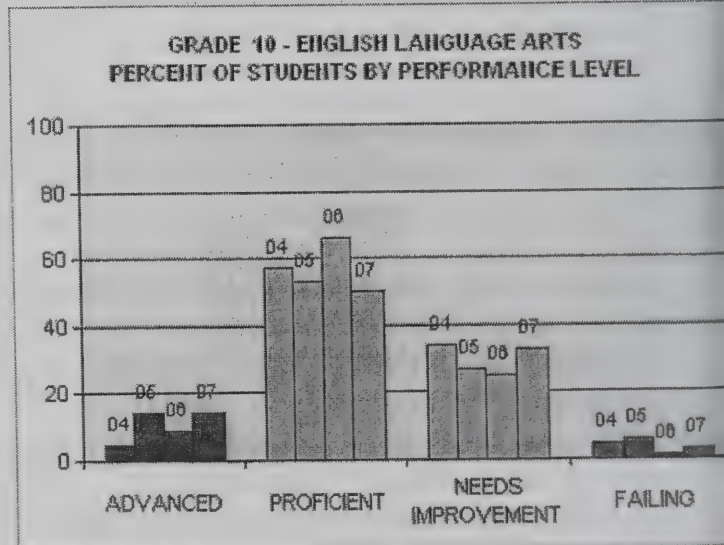
NOTE: Beginning with the Class of 2003, all students need to meet the BHS Graduation Requirements and receive a "competency determination" from the State of Massachusetts in order to graduate (passing MCAS English Language Arts and Math tests.)

POST-HIGH SCHOOL RATES & TESTING

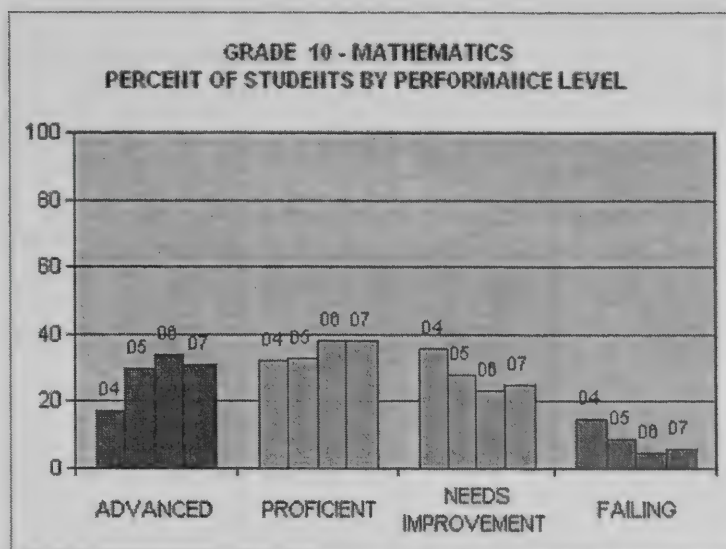
CLASS	GRADS	4 YEAR	2 YEAR/ OTHER	TOTAL POST- SECONDARY	SAT (V/M)
2007	195	57%	19%	74%	485/515
2006	188	56%	19%	75%	514/513
2005	173	60%	27%	87%	
2004	192	53%	33%	86%	

MCAS ANNUAL COMPARISONS

GRADE 10 ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS PERFORMANCE 2004 2005 2006 2007 LEVEL				
ADVANCED	5	14	9	14
PROFICIENT	57	53	66	50
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	34	27	25	33
FAILING	5	6	1	3



GRADE 10 MATHEMATICS				
PERFORMANCE LEVEL	2004	2005	2006	2007
ADVANCED	17	30	34	31
PROFICIENT	32	33	38	38
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	36	28	23	25
FAILING	15	9	5	6



CYCLE IV Adequate Yearly Progress Report – October 2006

English Language Arts					
Cycle IV Performance Rating:	HIGH	Performance Data:	State Target	Cycle IV CPI	
			85.4	87.0	
Cycle IV Improvement Rating:	DECLINED	Improvement Data:	Baseline CPI	Gain Target	On Target Range
			90.7	1.2	90.7-94.4
Accountability Status:	No Status		Cycle IV AYP (Aggregate):	2005	2006
				Yes	Yes
Mathematics					
Cycle IV Performance Rating:	HIGH	Performance Data:	State Target	Cycle IV CPI	
			76.5	88.5	
Cycle IV Improvement Rating:	DECLINED	Improvement Data:	Baseline CPI	Gain Target	On Target Range
			88.1	1.5	88.1-92.1
Accountability Status:	No Status		Cycle IV AYP (Aggregate):	2005	2006
				Yes	Yes

Athletic Budget Summary 2007

Bellingham Public Schools

	No. of Teams	No. of Participants	Coaches Salaries	Equipment	Game Officials	Game Personnel	Trans- portation	Gate Receipts	Total	Per Student Cost
Trainer			\$23,126	\$4,635					\$27,761	
Football (5)	3	78	\$20,738	\$2,091	\$4,216	\$2,160	\$5,186	\$12,065	\$46,456	441*
Soccer, Boys (3)	3	52	\$9,317	\$2,092	\$2,313	\$930	\$1,948	\$1,036	\$17,636	319*
Soccer, Girls (2)	2	39	\$8,825	\$2,092	\$1,728	\$630	\$1,948	\$633	\$15,856	390*
Volleyball (3)	3	35	\$7,722	\$1,933	\$2,698	\$1,080	\$2,287	\$1,570	\$17,290	449*
Field Hockey (3)	3	52	\$8,789	\$3,039	\$3,042	\$900	\$2,212	\$1,449	\$19,431	346*
Basketball, Boys (4)	4	51	\$13,855	\$1,412	\$4,386	\$4,240	\$3,882	\$5,356	\$33,131	545*
Basketball, Girls (4)	4	42	\$12,361	\$1,412	\$3,927	\$1,345	\$3,562	\$2,053	\$24,660	538*
Ice Hockey (2)	2	34	\$8,002	\$15,845	\$1,923	\$2,116	\$1,159	\$1,577	\$30,622	854*
Winter Track, B&G (3)	3	46	\$7,163	\$525	\$1,400		\$1,720		\$10,808	235
Baseball (3)	3	38	\$9,291	\$1,733	\$3,366	\$50	\$2,773		\$17,213	453
Softball (3)	3	43	\$9,530	\$1,665	\$2,735	\$50	\$2,242		\$16,222	377
Spring Track, B&G (4)	4	60	\$11,740	\$525	\$2,336	\$25	\$1,478		\$16,104	268
Cheerleader, Winter (1)	1	20	\$1,386	\$600			\$144		\$2,130	107
Cheerleader, Fall (1)	1	20	\$1,672	\$600			\$140		\$2,412	121
Cross Country (1)	2	48	\$5,003	\$944	\$455		\$1,908		\$8,310	173
Golf (1)	1	11	\$2,058	\$999			\$1,372		\$4,429	402
Wrestling (1)	1	17	\$3,733	\$615	\$467	\$332	\$3,561		\$8,708	512
Lacrosse (1)	1	26	\$3,199	\$526	\$1,015		\$1,461		\$6,201	239
SUBTOTAL	\$44	\$712	\$167,510	\$43,283	\$36,007	\$13,858	\$38,983	\$25,739	\$325,380	*Average

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES

Marijane Hackett, Director of Special Services

The Special Services Division supports the overall mission of the Bellingham Public Schools by collaborating, providing personnel, staff development and leadership to meet students' learning needs in a single system of education that maximizes the resources of the entire system. The Bellingham Public Schools Special Services Division provides those complementary resources and strategies that ensure all students are afforded the opportunity to meet District Learner Goals. We are a community of parents, teachers, administrators, business leaders and general public committed to excellence and accountability. Our vision for the future is constantly shaped by the diverse and changing needs of our students. We recognize that teamwork is integral to our efforts and that effective collaboration maximizes our resources so that our students are well prepared for the future.

One of the goals of Special Services is to work with special education staff to foster implementation of policies and procedures that ensure compliance with state and federal regulations. Special Education Handbooks containing special education regulations, as well as Bellingham School District's policies and procedures, were printed and distributed to all schools in 2002. This Handbook was revised and redistributed in September 2004 and is scheduled for revision in 2007-2008 when changes resulting from IDEA 2004 are finalized. Monthly meetings with the special education coordinators from each school consistently reviewed and clarified these procedures for implementation. Monthly audits were established to ensure that all Teams were up to date on all Individual Education Plan (IEP) reviews and evaluations. The administration and special education coordinators focused on establishing continuity throughout the district, especially in regards to developing high quality evaluations and consistency in determining eligibility under IDEA. They developed guidelines and procedures for conducting evaluations that are now utilized throughout the district.

Several workshops have been conducted throughout the past year on writing IEPs, with emphasis on writing measurable goals based on the needs of the individual student. In writing IEPs, we are now focused on providing FAPE for all students as mandated by new state regulations. Teams are taking a careful look at *how* we provide services for students in the least restrictive environment and are focusing on the State Standards. There is ongoing collaboration between general education and special education teachers to provide services for students within inclusive settings.

Great strides have been taken in the implementation of three new programs in the district. One of these programs is at the pre-school and provides services for students diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. This program is staffed with a Behavior Specialist, Special Education Teacher, a nurse and two Instructional Learning Assistants. It is housed at Stall Brook School in the new pre-school wing. The Bellingham Early Childhood Program (BECP) led by Mrs. Pam Fuhrman, has been very successful in supporting our special needs preschoolers in the least restrictive environment. One hundred twenty youngsters ranging in age from 3 to 5 years participate. The BECP staff consists of five teachers, seven classroom assistants, and a team of support staff including speech/language, occupational and physical therapists. The teachers and support staff have become highly skilled in working with the Mayer-Johnson Picture Exchange System, communication journals, social stories and have completed a number of trainings in ABA. The preschool has collaborated with our local Community Partnerships for Children (CPC) to develop parenting programs and conduct home visits to work with families of special needs students. The BECP

cooperates with both the regional early intervention programs and the elementary schools in town to provide smooth transitions for all students.

This year we also have our own Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) who has worked primarily with our program for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder in the BECP and Stall Brook programs. She has been working with students, staff and parents in developing individualized behavior learning programs for these children. She has also worked district wide with the other schools in developing behavior support programs for students with ASD in inclusive settings as well as conducting Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI) training.

Under the direction and leadership of Donna Dankner last year and new principal Jaime Dorr at Macy, Helen Chamides at Stall Brook and Kadie Wilson at South, inclusionary practices have been developed and implemented in all three elementary schools. There is a full day Inclusion kindergarten class at both Macy and South schools. A substantially separate class for Kindergarten and grade one students is in place at Stall Brook School. South Elementary School also has one substantially separate class for special needs students. Special education teachers in grades one through four provide support and instruction to students within the general education class room or in more intensive small group settings. Special education teachers work in collaboration with the regular classroom teachers to ensure a solid co-teaching model. In addition, special service providers may work within the general education classrooms to deliver services. Instructional learning assistants also provide support to identified students throughout the day.

With the support and strong leadership of the principal, Elaine D'Alfonso, several programs have been established to support the varied needs of students in the Middle School. Two Substantially Separate Classrooms for students with significant developmental delays are in place. These students spend part of the day in a self-contained classroom and part of the day participating in various activities with their non-disabled peers. There are scheduled resource classes for students who need small group instruction in reading, math and written language on a daily basis. Most of the students are serviced within the classroom setting by a special education teacher or instructional learning assistant working in collaboration with the classroom teacher. Small group or individualized instruction is provided for these students when needed. Wilson Reading is also available at the Middle School for students requiring a structured, systematic, remedial reading program.

Full Inclusion of special needs students was initiated in September, 2003 at Bellingham High School, and now in its fourth year is gaining momentum. In addition a new substantially separate program was added last year. This program focuses on basic life skills and pre-vocational skills for students with more intensive needs. These students are provided modified classes in English, Math, Social Studies and Science and may also participate in general classes with accommodations and instructional supports. Most students, however, are serviced in an inclusion setting. Special education teachers are assigned students for whom they write IEP goals and objectives, monitor progress, coordinate services and serve as a liaison for the parents and subject area teachers. Special needs students may be assigned to a resource class during the day, if needed, for small group or individualized instruction. Most students are serviced within the classroom setting and are supported by special education staff and/or provided accommodations or modifications to allow them to access the general curriculum. The administration and staff will continue to collaborate as we continue to adopt

an Inclusion model that provides optimal educational opportunities for all Bellingham High School students.

The Paul J. Primavera Learning Center (PJP) provides an alternative program to junior and senior high school age students with special needs in the least restrictive setting. Students from Bellingham and several surrounding communities are educated in a small class environment with a range of educational and clinical services. The new director of Primavera, William Egan, continues to emphasize meeting state standards for all students in the program. Under his direction, students are encouraged to work to their maximum potential while developing problem solving skills that will empower them to become productive, caring and successful contributors in our schools and society. The staff members at Primavera Center foster a holistic approach to learning and support the emotional and psychological needs of their students, as well as meet the educational requirements necessary for successful entry into a higher level of education or the workforce.

In an effort to accommodate the diverse learning needs of the students, PJP has several programs including a Graphic Arts program, an aquarium to introduce Marine Biology, a greenhouse for horticultural and pre-vocational activities, setting up a shop for woodworking and basic carpentry, and a work study program for juniors and seniors. The students at PJP also have the opportunity to participate in writing the school newspaper which is published quarterly, yearbook staff, ceramics and cooking classes. The school adjustment counselors, Jackie Farese and Sarah Nulty, are available full time for those students needing a strong therapeutic component. Wilson Reading Instruction is also available for students who qualify. As the quality and diversity of programs at the Primavera Center grow, so does the demand for placement from surrounding communities.

Staff development has been, and continues to be, a major focus of special services, especially as our schools transition to Inclusive settings. Several workshops have addressed compliance issues such as the IEP Process, Writing IEPs, Writing Measurable Goals and Progress Reports, Evaluation and Diagnosis of Disabilities under IDEA, FAPE, and providing services in the least restrictive environment. Several workshops also focused on supporting Inclusion including Differentiating Instruction in the Mixed Ability Classroom. Elementary special and general education teachers are also taking part in ongoing workshops for reading assessments including the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS), the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA), and the Qualitative Reading Inventory (QRI). Teachers will use these assessments to drive instruction and track progress of students.

The Special Services Department is committed to staff development for both professionals and paraprofessionals. In anticipation of certification requirements for our paraprofessionals under the *No Child Left Behind* initiative, Bellingham has contracted with the Para Educator Learning Network. This is an Internet based professional development web site that allows each individual to access courses from home or school. The web site maintains a personalized transcript to assist each individual and tracks courses that have been successfully completed. This program is available to all paraprofessionals in Bellingham.

With the cooperation and support of the Superintendent of Bellingham Public Schools, Dr. T. C. Mattocks, the Office of Special Services has made great strides in achieving their goals. It is expected that with this continued collaboration, all our goals might be achieved in the near future. As a District, we continue to focus not on any shortcomings of the past, but on our goals and achievements in the future.

FEDERAL AND STATE PROJECT GRANTS

Listed below is a summary of Federal and State Project Grants received during the School/Fiscal year of July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

	FEDERAL GRANTS	
1	Title IIA, Teacher Quality	\$50,493
2	Title IID, Enhanced Educ.through Technology	\$1,152
3	Federal Sped Allocation	\$630,542
4	Middle School Reading	\$4,989
5	Sped Program Improvement	\$22,611
6	Title V	\$1,575
7	Title I Distribution	\$99,790
8	Drug Free Schools	\$7,076
	SUB TOTAL FOR FEDERAL GRANTS	\$818,228.00
	STATE GRANTS	
9	Summer Academic Support	\$8,034
10	Academic Support Services	\$7,350
	SUB TOTAL FOR STATE GRANTS	\$15,384.00
	OTHER STATE GRANTS	
11	Sped Early Childhood Grant	\$28,511
12	CPC-Community Partnership for Children	\$94,757
	SUB TOTAL FOR OTHER STATE GRANTS	\$123,268.00
	DISTRICT TOTAL FOR ALL GRANTS	\$956,880.00

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2008

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ANTHONY L. BALLIRO
1930 – 2008
BELLINGHAM AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICER



MORTON J. BENMAOR
1933 – 2008
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS



PAUL CHUPA
1932 – 2008
WATER/SEWER COMMISSION
PLANNING BOARD
CONSTABLE



THOMAS E. NICHOLSON
1927 – 2008
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BOARD OF HEALTH



MARY PELUSO
1919 – 2008
COUNCIL ON AGING



MATTHEW F. PYTKO
1923 – 2008
WATER/SEWER COMMISSION
PLANNING BOARD



HUGH R. REYNOLDS
1924 – 2008
PERSONNEL BOARD



RONALD C. STOCHAJ
1938 – 2008
PERSONNEL BOARD



DONALD E. WOZNIAK
1935 – 2008
BELLINGHAM CALL FIREFIGHTER
PARKS COMMISSION
COUNCIL ON AGING



WILLIAM M. WOZNIAK
1959 – 2008
PLANNING BOARD



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of the

TOWN CLERK

consisting of

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

POPULATION STATISTICS

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETINGS

ELECTIONS

RECEIPTS

MARRIAGES - DEATHS

and

PUBLICATIONS OF TOWN BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

in the

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

for the Year Ending December 31, 2008

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

2008 ELECTED OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr., Chairman
Dawn Marie Davies, Vice Chairman
Mary E. Chaves
Richard J. Martinelli
Jerald A. Mayhew

TOWN CLERK

Ann L. Odabashian

MODERATOR

Scott A. Ambler
Resigned October 1, 2008

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Stephen R. Patrick, Chairman
Francis E. Cartier, Vice Chairman
Cheryl A. Gray
Dr. Ronald L. Martel
Michael J. O'Herron

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Joseph M. Hall

PLANNING BOARD

Patricia M. Buckley, Chairman
Glenn C. Wojcik, Vice Chairman
Stephen W. Bartha
David H. Brown
Brian J. Sutherland
John D. Sexton, Associate Member

CONSTABLES

David H. Brown
Richard J. Martinelli

Paul J. Kearns
William A. Spear, Jr.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Michael B. Carr, Chairman
Russell E. Lafond, Vice Chairman
Lisa M. Cavossa
Suzanne Garten
Pamela W. Perry

2008 ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS (con't)

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Ernest A. Taft, Chairman

Linda L. Cartier, Vice Chairman

Edward W. Guzowski

Jason Tucker

Billiegene A. Lavallee *

* State Appointee

2008 APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Denis C. Fraine

TOWN COUNSEL

Blatman, Bobrowski & Mead, LLC

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Grace L. Devitt

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DIRECTOR OF LIBRARIES

Bernadette D. Rivard

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HOUSING AUTHORITY

Patrick A. Morganelli

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Cynthia A. Souza

Tracey Holmes

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Gregory Giardino

Michael Taddeo

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James L. Haughey, Director

BOARD OF HEALTH

Vincent A. Forte, Jr., Chairman

Louise A. Arnold

Guy A. Fleurette

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Francis E. Cartier

Leslie A. Cartier

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Michael Graf

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Mary Ambler, MD

Bruce W. Lord

Ann L. Odabashian

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Joseph E. Collamati, Jr., Vice Chairman

Mary Beth Cuomo

Toni A. Picariello

Michael B. Tobin

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James L. Haughey

William A. Spear, Jr.

CIVIL DEFENSE AUXILIARY POLICE

Eugene F. Bartlett, Chief

James Eames, Dep. Chief

Earl J. Vater, Captain

G. Steven Schreffler, Lieut.

John Kauker, IV, Sgt.

Thomas A. Keirstead, Sgt.

Ronald F. Mason, Sgt.

Joseph Matkowski, Jr., Sgt.

Auxiliary Patrolemen

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Robert Dickinson

Mark W. Duquette

Dana V. Lovejoy

Thomas Marston

Craig Riolo

Michael J. Sabourin

Frederick Savoie, Jr.

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Amy B. Cook, Chairperson

Lambert D. Howe, Vice Chairman

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James P. Hentz

Anne A. Matthews

Neal D. Standley

Conservation Administrator

George C. Holmes

COUNCIL FOR THE AGING

Gordon D. Curtis , Chairman

Nancy M. Delfino, Vice Chairman (Resigned December 9, 2008)

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J. Eugene Corriveau

Frederick E. Dehmer

Catherine J. DeTore

Joan M. Giard

William W. Monteiro

Mary Rita Tetrault

Elizabeth A. Willey

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Mary C. Healy

Eileen Jundzil

Sheila J. Ronkin

Jeremy F. Ronkin

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Linda Trudeau

Darryl D. Ward

Lauren L. Ward

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Carol M. Dill

Henri J. Masson

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Raymond J. Szczepan

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Priscilla Compton

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Peter M. Morelli

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Stuart S. LeClaire

Earl J. Vater, Assistant

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS

Roger E. Gaboury

Fran Sebio

Jay B. Palermo

INSPECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Henry L. Boucher, Jr.

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Eugene F. Reckert, Inspector
Richard D. Marcoux, Assistant
Richard F. Lamothe, Assistant

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Denis C. Fraine
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Kevin Houlihan

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Stacey J. Wetstein

NORFOLK COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

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Rosemarie Caddick	Gordon D. Curtis
Roland R. Laprade	Ann L. Odabashian
Stephen R. Patrick	Paulette R. Zazza

PRECINCT WARDENS & DEPUTY WARDENS

<i>Precinct</i>	<i>Wardens</i>	<i>Political Party</i>	<i>Deputy Wardens</i>
<i>One</i>	Alice H. Bissonnette	DEMOCRAT	Margaret C. Winter
<i>Two</i>	Geraldine A. Perreault	REPUBLICAN	Shirley W. Toomey
<i>Three</i>	Kenneth A. Bogan	DEMOCRAT	James A. McElroy
<i>Four</i>	Theresa J. Marini	DEMOCRAT	John T. Molloy
<i>Five</i>	Joanne Arcand	REPUBLICAN	Shirley Parziale

PULASKI BOULEVARD VILLAGE OVERLAY DISTRICT SUBCOMMITTEE

Mary E. Chaves	Guy A. Fleurette	Peter J. Harty
Roland R. Laprade	Jerald A. Mayhew	Jeffrey Scornavacca
	Neal D. Standley	

TAX ASSESSORS

Mary Ellen Hutchins, Chairperson	
Tara A. Damiano	George C. Noble

TOWN COMMON TRUSTEES

G. Steven Schreffler, Chairman
Theodore C. Bailey, Vice Chairman
Joanne Arcand
Constance I. Peter
Diana C. Crooks

TOWN MEETING TELLERS

Alice H. Bissonnette, Head Teller
Joanne Arcand
Margaret M. Jaskinski
Mary S. Strachan
Joan Wingle
Maryclare Burke
Anne A. Matthews
Marcia J. Swenson
Barbara J. Gallagher
Shirley J. Parziale
Shirley W. Toomey

VETERANS' AGENT AND DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

Raymond R. Gagne

WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT

Nancy A. Bailey

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Robert J. Andrews, Chairman
Peter Delsignore, Vice Chairman
Douglas A. Cochrane
Arturo G. Paturzo
Jeffrey Scornavacca
Alternate Members:
Mary E. Chaves
Peter J. Harty
Mario Castagna

ASSISTANT TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Nancy A. Bailey

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Florence M. MacLaughlin

ASSISTANT TOWN COLLECTOR

Teresa A. Ambrosino

ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER

Beth C. Smith

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSOR

Elizabeth A. Cournoyer

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jacqueline A. Bokoski

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO D.P.W. DIRECTOR

Claire M. Lofgren

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Catherine F. Creasia

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Laura A. Renaud

CLERK TO CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Anne A. Matthews

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Toni A. Picariello

CLERK TO INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Michelle A. Brunelle

CLERK TO PLANNING BOARD

Amy Sault

CLERK TO SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Beth L. Ladouceur

CLERK TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Laura A. Renaud

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICIAL POPULATION STATISTICS

<u>CENSUS DATE</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>
May 25, 1765	468
March 29, 1776	627
January 1, 1978	14,619
January 1, 1979	14,692
January 1, 1980	14,476
January 1, 1981	14,339
January 1, 1982	14,209
January 1, 1983	14,098
January 1, 1984	14,107
January 1, 1985	13,981
January 1, 1986	13,911
January 1, 1987	14,001
January 1, 1988	14,140
January 1, 1989	14,404
January 1, 1990	14,375
January 1, 1991	14,319
January 1, 1992	14,187
January 1, 1993	14,275
January 1, 1994	14,217
January 1, 1995	14,251
January 1, 1996	14,525
January 1, 1997	14,590
January 1, 1998	14,686
January 1, 1999	14,767
January 1, 2000	15,027
January 1, 2001	15,075
January 1, 2002	15,093
January 1, 2003	15,301
January 1, 2004	15,347
January 1, 2005	15,504
January 1, 2006	15,645
January 1, 2007	15,714
January 1, 2008	15,787

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICIAL FEDERAL POPULATION STATISTICS

<u>CENSUS DATE</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>
August 1, 1790	735
August 1, 1800	704
August 1, 1810	766
August 1, 1820	1,034
June 1, 1830	1,102
June 1, 1840	1,055
June 1, 1850	1,281
June 1, 1860	1,313
June 1, 1870	1,282
June 1, 1880	1,223
June 1, 1890	1,334
June 1, 1900	1,682
April 15, 1910	1,696
January 1, 1920	2,102
April 1, 1930	3,189
April 1, 1940	2,979
April 1, 1950	4,100
April 1, 1960	6,774
April 1, 1970	13,967
April 1, 1980	14,300
April 1, 1990	14,877
April 1, 2000	15,314

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Norfolk, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at:

Stall Brook School in Precinct # 1; Clara Macy School in Precinct # 2;
Bellingham Library in Precinct # 3; Paul J. Primavera Educational Center in
Precinct # 4 and Precinct # 5 in said Bellingham:

On TUESDAY, the FIFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2008
from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM for the following purposes:

To cast their votes in the State Primary for the candidates of political parties for the following purposes:

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE.....FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
STATE COMMITTEE MAN.....Worcester & Norfolk SENATORIAL DISTRICT
STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN.....Worcester & Norfolk SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TOWN COMMITTEES.....FOR THE TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 7th day of January, 2008

Ann L. Odabashian, Chairperson

Richard J. Martinelli, Vice Chairman

Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr.

Dawn Marie Davies

Ronald L. Picard

SELECTMEN OF BELLINGHAM

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham by posting attested copies of this Warrant at the Bellingham Municipal Center and other municipal buildings throughout the Town of Bellingham in accordance with Article 4.03 of the town by-laws.

Date Posted: January 9, 2008

Richard J. Martinelli
Constable of Bellingham

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
FEBRUARY 5, 2008

OFFICE & CANDIDATES						% VOTES	
	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	CAST

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE							

John R. Edwards	11	20	9	11	13	64	2%
Hillary Clinton	356	364	423	405	382	1,930	66%
Joseph R. Biden, Jr.	1	1	1	0	2	5	0%
Christopher J. Dodd	1	1	0	0	0	2	0%
Mike Gravel	1	1	0	1	1	4	0%
Barack Obama	204	169	214	149	157	893	30%
Dennis J. Kucinich	0	0	2	0	0	2	0%
Bill Richardson	0	0	0	0	1	1	0%
No Preference	5	2	0	6	5	18	1%
All Others	2	1	2	0	4	9	0%
BLANKS	1	3	0	2	1	7	0%
TOTAL	582	562	651	574	566	2,935	

STATE COMMITTEE MAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

Thomas J. Cullen, Sr.	401	390	466	387	382	2,026	69%
All Others	3	0	4	1	2	10	0%
Blanks	178	172	181	186	182	899	31%
TOTAL	582	562	651	574	566	2,935	

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

Irene T. Kokocinski	400	385	449	382	376	1,992	68%
All Others	3	0	1	0	1	5	0%
BLANKS	179	177	201	192	189	938	32%
TOTAL	582	562	651	574	566	2,935	

TOWN COMMITTEE

Daniel J. Ranieri	337	358	393	340	382	1,810	
William P. Bissonnette	344	307	350	295	294	1,590	
Alice H. Bissonnette	325	298	343	280	279	1,525	
Ernest A. Taft	311	333	383	315	327	1,669	
Thomas C. Burgess	261	265	312	257	256	1,351	
Suzanne L. Ranieri	310	327	360	322	349	1,668	
Bruce W. Lord	276	301	341	276	269	1,463	
John R. Burke	274	278	314	267	272	1,405	
Margaret C. Winter	285	276	329	278	264	1,432	
Gerald L. Daigle	311	324	381	319	320	1,655	
Henri J. Masson	271	273	327	284	308	1,463	
Kathleen Quinn	276	286	327	267	265	1,421	
Anne A. Matthews	294	287	327	264	270	1,442	
Clifford A. Matthews	286	277	323	260	268	1,414	
Leo E. Remillard	280	291	327	292	323	1,513	
Joseph P. Voss	264	263	310	255	265	1,357	
Michael B. Carr	270	267	315	265	263	1,380	
Richard F. Ranieri	287	309	353	297	313	1,559	
Cheryl A. Gray	280	274	325	275	271	1,425	
Kevin J. Gray	268	268	314	266	263	1,379	
Raymond R. Gagne	270	269	316	258	298	1,411	
Anne L. Odabashian	325	352	411	333	317	1,738	
Michelle A. Poirier	270	273	327	271	266	1,407	
Melissa A. Voss	274	273	329	265	271	1,412	
Gary M. Remillard	283	291	330	285	305	1,494	
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	
BLANKS	7,318	6,730	7,808	7,264	6,872	35,992	
TOTAL	14,550	14,050	16,275	14,350	14,150	73,375	

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
FEBRUARY 5, 2008

REPUBLICAN

OFFICE & CANDIDATES	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	% VOTES CAST
*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE							

John McCain	118	106	136	130	83	573	37%
Fred Thompson	0	2	2	0	0	4	0%
Tom Tancredo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Duncan Hunter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Mike Huckabee	15	12	15	19	7	68	4%
Mitt Romney	193	178	173	195	129	868	56%
Ron Paul	6	8	9	8	5	36	2%
Rudy Giuliani	3	1	0	0	1	5	0%
No Preference	0	1	1	0	1	3	0%
All Others	0	1	1	0	1	3	0%
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
TOTAL	335	309	337	352	227	1,560	

STATE COMMITTEE MAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

Michael R. Potaski	10	9	10	0	0	29	2%
All Others	10	20	11	31	18	90	6%
Blanks	315	280	316	321	209	1,441	92%
TOTAL	335	309	327	352	227	1,560	

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

All Others	14	20	18	24	14	90	6%
BLANKS	321	289	319	328	213	1,470	94%
TOTAL	335	309	337	352	227	1,560	

TOWN COMMITTEE

Joanne Arcand	0	0	1	1	0	2	
Jean-Paul Bernier	0	1	0	0	0	1	
Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr.	0	0	1	0	1	2	
David W. Henderson	0	1	0	0	0	1	
Karl A. Krainski	0	0	1	0	0	1	
Ronald Lussier	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Jerald A. Mayhew	0	0	1	0	0	1	
Sheila Parker	0	0	1	0	0	1	
All Others	2	3	0	1	6	12	
BLANKS	11,723	10,810	1,156	12,318	7,903	43,910	
TOTAL	11,725	10,815	1,161	12,320	7,911	43,932	

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
FEBRUARY 5, 2008

GREEN-RAINBOW

OFFICE & CANDIDATES	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total
*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****	*****
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE						

Jared Ball	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ralph Nader	0	1	0	0	0	1
Elaine Brown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kat Swift	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cynthia McKinney	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent Mesplay	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Preference	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	1	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0	2

GREEN-RAINBOW - con't

STATE COMMITTEE MAN Worcester & Norfolk District	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total
-----	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	1	1	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0	2

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

-----	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	1	1	0	0	0	2
BLANKS	1	1	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0	2

TOWN COMMITTEE

-----	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	1	1	0	0	0	2
BLANKS	1	1	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0	2

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
FEBRUARY 5, 2008

WORKING FAMILIES

OFFICE & CANDIDATES	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total
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PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE

-----	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ralph Nader	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	0	0	0	0	1

STATE COMMITTEE MAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

-----	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	1	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	0	0	0	0	1

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN
Worcester & Norfolk District

-----	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	1	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	0	0	0	0	1

TOWN COMMITTEE

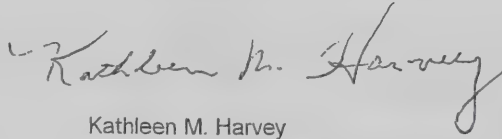
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All Others	1	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	0	0	0	0	1

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
FEBRUARY 5, 2008

STATISTICAL INFORMATION	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	TOTALS
Registered voters by Precinct	2,007	1,814	2,012	2,218	1,904	9,955
Democratic Votes Cast	582	562	651	574	566	2,935
Republican Votes Cast	335	309	337	352	227	1,560
Green-Rainbow Votes Cast	1	1	0	0	0	2
Working Families Votes Cast	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL VOTES CAST	919	872	988	926	793	4,498
% of vote per precinct	45.79%	48.07%	49.11%	41.75%	41.65%	45.18%

A true record.

ATTEST:



Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of Bellingham

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

Norfolk, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Town Elections to meet at:

Stall Brook School in Precinct # 1; Clara Macy School in Precinct # 2;
Bellingham Library in Precinct # 3; Paul J. Primavera Educational Center in
Precinct # 4 and # 5 in said Bellingham:

On TUESDAY, the 6th Day of May, 2008
POLLS WILL OPEN AT 7:00 AM and CLOSE at 8:00 PM

To cast their votes for the following:

Two Selectmen	For a term of three years
One Town Clerk	For a term of two years
One Housing Authority Member	For a term of five years
Two Library Trustees	For a term of three years
One Planning Board Member	For a term of three years
One School Committee Member	For a term of three years

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at Town Hall and in other municipal buildings throughout Town seven days, at least, before the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with you doings thereon at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 7th day of April, 2008

Ann L. Odabashian, Chairperson

Richard J. Martinelli, Vice Chairman

Ronald L. Picard

Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr.

Dawn Marie Davies

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Return of the Warrant

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham by posting attested copies of the same in Town Hall and other municipal buildings throughout the Town, in accordance with Town By-Laws.

Date Posted: April 9, 2008

Richard J. Martinelli
Constable of Bellingham

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

May 6, 2008

						% VOTES	
OFFICE & CANDIDATES	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	CAST

SELECTMAN - for 3 years

2 to be elected

Ronald L. Picard	150	151	187	254	291	1,033	48%
Mary E. Chaves	165	258	241	203	193	1,060	49%
Jerald A. Mayhew	148	201	240	277	222	1,088	50%
All Others	2	1	3	4	1	11	1%
BLANKS	183	249	235	264	193	1,124	52%
TOTAL	648	860	906	1,002	900	4,316	

TOWN CLERK for 2 years

1 to be elected

Danielle N. Fisher	43	29	28	36	20	156	7%
Lisa M. Julian	45	52	32	41	29	199	9%
Katherine M. Marino	73	124	103	119	117	536	25%
Ann L. Odabashian	133	188	248	214	152	935	43%
Ronald R. Picard	22	24	37	83	129	295	14%
All Others	4	4	1	1	0	10	0%
Blanks	4	9	4	7	3	27	1%
TOTAL	324	430	453	501	450	2,158	

HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBER - for 5 years

1 to be elected

Edward W. Guzowski	148	240	269	247	262	1,166	54%
Debra K. Sacco	102	101	99	146	119	567	26%
Jason S. Tucker	49	42	54	75	38	258	12%
All Others	1	0	0	0	1	2	0%
Blanks	24	47	31	33	30	165	8%
TOTAL	324	430	453	501	450	2,158	

LIBRARY TRUSTEE - for 3 years

2 to be elected

Lisa M. Cavossa	219	284	333	343	305	1,484	69%
Suzanne Garten	163	221	239	276	212	1,111	51%
All Others	1	1	1	0	1	4	0%
Blanks	265	354	333	383	382	1,717	80%
TOTAL	648	860	906	1,002	900	4,316	

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER 3 years

1 to be elected

Brian J. Sutherland	207	316	297	270	233	1,323	61%
John P. Murray	101	95	139	200	194	729	34%
All Others	0	0	0	1	0	1	0%
Blanks	16	19	17	30	23	105	5%
Total	324	430	453	501	450	2,158	

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

May 6, 2008

%
VOTES

OFFICE & CANDIDATES P-1 P-2 P-3 P-4 P-5 Total CAST

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER - for 3 years

1 to be elected

Kevin C. De Gray, Sr.	67	103	102	138	106	516	24%
Cheryl A. Gray	220	282	304	328	303	1,437	67%
All Others	0	2	2	0	3	7	0%
Blanks	37	43	45	35	38	198	9%
TOTAL	324	430	453	501	450	2,158	

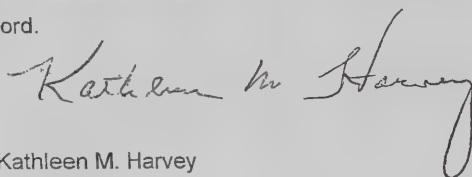
Registered voters by Precinct	2,004	1,812	2,028	2,226	1,900	9,970
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Votes cast per precinct	324	430	453	501	450	2,158
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% of vote per precinct	16.2%	23.7%	22.3%	22.5%	23.7%	21.6%
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A True Record.

ATTEST:



Kathleen M. Harvey
Bellingham Town Clerk

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
of MAY 28, 2008 @ 7:30 PM**

ARTICLE 1.

1. OPERATING EXPENSES AND SALARIES

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the various Town Departments for a period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

VOTED: Monies to be raised by taxation unless otherwise noted.

ITEM #			
114	MODERATOR	Elected Salaries	0.00
		Expenses	50.00
122	BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Elected Salaries	6,000.00
		Salaries	\$52,098.00
		Expenses	36,701.00
123	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	Salaries	149,744.00
		Expenses	7,700.00
131	FINANCE COMMITTEE	Salaries	2,868.00
		Expenses	2,207.00
132	RESERVE FUND	Expenses	100,000.00
135	CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	Salaries	211,639.00
		Expenses	49,605.00
137	TAX ASSESSORS	Appointed Salaries	3,800.00
		Salaries	105,765.00
		Expenses	13,525.00
138	TOWN TREASURER	Salaries	74,441.00
		Expenses	25,925.00
139	TOWN COLLECTOR	Salaries	136,062.00
		Expenses	89,600.00
151	TOWN COUNSEL	Professional Services	85,000.00
152	PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT	Salaries	0.00
		Expenses	0.00
154	MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS	Salaries	65,604.00
		Expenses	171,335.00
156	TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	Expenses	0.00
161	TOWN CLERK	Elected Salaries	52,000.00
		Salaries	46,339.00
		Expenses	4,615.00

		Expenses	4,615.00
162	ELECTION & TOWN MEETINGS		
		Expenses	34,115.00
163	BOARD OF REGISTRARS		
		Salaries	1,400.00
		*Expenses	7,600.00
	* The Board of Registrars is authorized to appoint one of its members, excluding the clerk of the board, to serve as Census Updater and to pay said Registrar \$10.00 per hour, not to exceed \$1,000.00 of the total Expense Budget.		
171	CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
		Salaries	40,314.00
		Expenses	9,668.00
172	PLANNING BOARD		
		Elected Salaries	5,000.00
		Salaries	55,860.00
		Expenses	8,078.00
173	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
		Salaries	7,275.00
		Expenses	20,807.00
183	DISABILITY COMMISSION		
		Salaries	1,500.00
		Expenses	1,300.00
189	PUBLIC BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE		
		Salaries	89,161.00
		Expenses	203,300.00
190	ON THE JOB INJURY FOR DEDUCTIBLE (On the job)		
		Expenses	25,000.00
191	WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT		
		Salaries	5,000.00
192	EMPLOYEE SICK DAY BUY-BACK FUND		
		Expenses	0.00
193	PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE		
		Expenses	290,000.00
194	RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT		
		Expenses	1,650,099.00
195	MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE		
		Expenses	320,000.00
196	TOWN REPORTS		
		Expenses	3,000.00
197	PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH		
		Expenses	32,000.00
198	INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE		
		Expenses	1,000.00
199	DAMAGE TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY		
		Expenses	1.00
210	POLICE DEPARTMENT		
		Salaries	2,391,798.00
		Expenses	149,400.00
220	FIRE DEPARTMENT		
		Salaries	1,527,242.00
		Expenses	91,935.00
251	TOWN INSPECTOR		
		Salaries	135,026.00
		Expenses	7,549.00

252	SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
		Salaries	3,000.00
		Expenses	3,490.00
253	INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS		
		Salaries	21,512.00
		Expenses	800.00
255	ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR		
		Salaries	28,000.00
		Expenses	1,007.00
292	ANIMAL CONTROL		
		Salaries	97,143.00
		Expenses	9,700.00
<i>Animal Control is regionalized with the Town of Franklin and budget costs are shared.</i>			
294	TREE WARDEN		
		Appointed Salaries	6,500.00
		Salaries	3,700.00
		Expenses	10,626.00
299	AUXILIARY POLICE		
		Expenses	5,766.00
300	SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		
		Elected Salaries	5,000.00
		School Dept. Budget	20,342,486.00
302	BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOC. TECH. SCHOOL		
		Expenses	761,236.00
303	SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION		
		Expenses	1,600,000.00
421	HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION		
		Salaries	95,251.00
		Expenses	22,200.00
422	HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE (Road Maintenance)		
		Salaries	454,097.00
		Expenses	293,700.00
423	SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL		
		Salaries	20,000.00
		Expenses	80,000.00
424	STREET LIGHTING		
		Expenses	160,000.00
425	HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE (Motor Vehicles)		
		Expenses	72,000.00
426	GAS & OIL		
		Expenses	164,000.00
433	SOLID WASTE (Recycling)		
		Expenses	2,000.00
439	SANITARY LANDFILL		
		Expenses	5,000.00
491	CEMETERY DEPARTMENT		
		Appointed Salaries	3,600.00
		Expenses	6,300.00

510	BOARD OF HEALTH	Appointed Salaries	3,000.00
		Salaries	88,969.00
		Expenses	14,782.00
541	COUNCIL ON AGING	Salaries	110,843.00
		Expenses	23,307.00
543	VETERANS' SERVICES	Salaries	3,000.00
		Expenses	23,250.00
549	VETERANS' GRAVE AGENT	Salaries	600.00
		Expenses	250.00
610	LIBRARY	Elected Salaries	600.00
		Salaries	296,599.00
		Expenses	182,590.00
630	PARKS AND RECREATION	Appointed Salaries	3,050.00
		Salaries	47,500.00
		Expenses	52,028.00
650	HISTORICAL COMMISSION	Expenses	5,500.00
651	CULTURAL COUNCIL	Salaries	7,500.00
660	MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS' DAY	Expenses	12,000.00
710	DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT	Expenses	3,534,853.00
715	DEBT SERVICE - INTEREST ON BONDS	Expenses	2,164,948.00
990	TRANSFER TO WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION TRUST FUND	InterFund Transfer	0.00
991	TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST	InterFund Transfer	50,000.00
992	TRANSFER TO GROUP INSURANCE TRUST	InterFund Transfer	5,125,000.00
996	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL INVESTMENT TRUST FUND	Inter-Fund Transfer	0.00
997	TRANSFER TO COMP ABS FUND	Inter-Fund Transfer	5,000.00

Note: * All travel expenses are paid at the rate of \$.40 per mile.

* No travel expenses shall be paid except upon receipt of vouchers showing dates, expenses incurred and the number of miles traveled.

* No legal fees for any Town Department (excluding School Department) shall be incurred or paid without the approval of The Board of Selectmen. Town Counsel services shall be exempt from this requirement.

TOTAL \$44,640,334.00

Funding:

\$200,000.00 from Ambulance Receipts
\$20,559.00 from Title V Receipts

\$44,419,775.00 by TAXATION

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)
(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. TRASH ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Trash Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,528,300.00 for the Trash Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, said funds to be raised by transfer from trash receipts and expended in the following manner:

\$ 24,000.00	for Salaries
\$1,504,300.00	for Expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. WATER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Water Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,985,454.00 for the Water Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, said funds to be raised by transfer from water receipts and expended in the following manner:

\$ 586,939.00	for Salaries
\$1,398,515.00	for expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. SEWER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sewer Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$714,377.00 for the Sewer Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, said funds to be raised by transfer from sewer receipts and expended in the following manner:

\$106,490.00	for Salaries
\$607,887.00	for Expenses

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. CONVEYANCES AND EASEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out said purposes; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to carry out said purposes, said sum to be raised by Taxation.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town and to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) for said purpose, said sum to be raised by Taxation.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7. TOWN PROPERTY AUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 8 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: D.P.W. Director)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. AMEND ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the 2007 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 1 of the 2007 Annual Town Meeting and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$657,075.00 by transferring said amounts from and into various accounts as follows:

AMOUNT	TRANSFERRED FROM	TRANSFER TO
\$ 15,000.00	Water Salaries	Water Expenses
\$ 9,000.00	Sewer Salaries	Sewer Expenses
\$ 25,000.00	Debt Principal	Selectmen Expenses
\$ 2,575.00	Debt Principal	Town Clerk Salaries
\$ 17,000.00	Debt Principal	Municipal Buildings
\$ 84,000.00	School Department	School Transportation
\$ 14,000.00	Highway Salaries	Highway Expenses
\$485,000.00	Stabilization Fund	Snow & Ice Expenses
\$ 2,000.00	Debt Principal	Veterans Expenses
\$ 3,500.00	Library Expenses	Library Salaries

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 10. CAPITAL OUTLAY

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which shall not exceed 1.5 million dollars and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$70,436.40 by transfer from and into various accounts as follows:

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT	TRANSFER FROM
Revaluation (Board of Assessors)	\$45,000.00	Overlay Surplus
School Technology (School Department)	\$ 8,936.40	USSL Fund
Replacement Upgrade LT12 (Fire Department)	\$16,500.00	Ambulance Receipts

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 11. REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to adopt provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2, of the General Laws to allow the following:

1. To allow the Bellingham Public Library Trustees to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from overdue books and video fines and to authorize the use for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$15,000.
2. To allow the Parks Commission to create a special revolving fund from revenue received from the Arcand Park swim program and to authorize the use for swim program expenses not to exceed \$20,000.
3. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from the sale of compost bins and to authorize for the purchase of additional bins, not to exceed \$2,000.
4. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided to open cemetery graves and to make payments for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$7,500.
5. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided for food inspections and to authorize the use for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$35,000.
6. To allow the Bellingham Historical Commission to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$5,000) from revenues received from donations to the Historical Commission and to authorize said funds to be used for operating expenses.

7. To allow the Town Common Trustees to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$25,000 yearly) from revenues received from the "Bank of America Lease" as well as revenues received from rental fees, said fund to be used for payment to temporary or part-time employees, for maintenance expenses and for the purchase of supplies or materials associated with the Town Common.
8. To allow the Board of Selectmen to create a Special Revolving Fund, not to exceed \$35,000, from revenues received from a lease payment from Nextel or their successors and to authorize the use of these funds to pay monthly phone charges as well as monthly digital charges for mobile communications within the Police and Fire Department.
9. To allow the Commission on Disability to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from gifts, grants and fees and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$10,000.
10. To allow the Bellingham Police Department to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from third party vendors hired by the Police Department, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the use of repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, not to exceed \$40,000.
11. To allow the Zoning Board of Appeals to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from Developers of Comprehensive Permits and to authorize the use to cover the cost of hiring outside consultants, not to exceed \$30,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Library Trustees,
Parks Commission, D.P.W., Board of
Health; Historical Commission; Town
Common Trustees;
Board of Selectmen; Commission on
Disability; Police Department and
Zoning Board)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town adopt the provisions of Chapter 44 Section 53E ½, of the General Laws to allow various Town Departments to maintain special revolving funds, all from revenues received and to utilize said funds, all as per the amounts listed and requested in the Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee.

1. To allow the Bellingham Public Library Trustees to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from overdue books and video fines and to authorize the use for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$15,000.00.
2. To allow the Parks Commission to create a special revolving fund from revenue received from the Arcand Park swim program and to authorize the use for swim program expenses not to exceed \$20,000.00.
3. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from the sale of compost bins and to authorize for the purchase of additional bins, not to exceed \$2,000.00.
4. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided to open cemetery graves and to make payments for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$7,500.00.

5. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided for food inspections and to authorize the use for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$35,000.00.
6. To allow the Bellingham Historical Commission to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$5,000.00) from revenues received from donations to the Historical Commission and to authorize said funds to be used for operating expenses.
7. To allow the Town Common Trustees to create a special revolving fund (not to exceed \$25,000.00 yearly) from revenues received from the "Bank of America Lease" as well as revenues received from rental fees, said fund to be used for payment to temporary or part-time employees, for maintenance expenses and for the purchase of supplies or materials associated with the Town Common.
8. To allow the Board of Selectmen to create a Special Revolving Fund, not to exceed \$35,000.00, from revenues received from a lease payment from Nextel and to authorize the use of these funds to pay monthly Nextel phone charges as well as monthly digital charges for mobile communications within the Police and Fire Department.
9. To allow the Commission on Disability to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from gifts, grants and fees and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$10,000.00.
10. To allow the Bellingham Police Department to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from third party vendors hired by the Police Department, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the use of repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, not to exceed \$40,000.00.
11. To allow the Zoning Board of Appeals to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from Developers of Comprehensive Permits and to authorize the use to cover the cost of hiring outside consultants, not to exceed \$30,000.00.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 12. PACKAGE STORE ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact legislation granting the Board of Selectmen the authority to issue an additional Package Store All Alcohol License for William C. Roberts, 191 Mechanic Street, Unit 5.

Notwithstanding any General or special law or any rule or regulation to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of said license to any other location. Said license may be re-issued by the local alcohol licensing authority at the same location if an applicant for said license files with said authority a letter in writing from the Department of Revenue indicating that said license is in good standing with said Department and that any and all applicable taxes have been paid.

If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, such license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the local alcohol licensing authority. Notwithstanding Section 17 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location and under the same conditions specified in the preceding paragraph; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Petition – George Levine)

VOTED: Motion failed.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 13. PACKAGE STORE ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact legislation granting the Board of Selectmen the authority to issue an additional Package Store All Alcohol License for Antoine H. Khoury, 3 Mechanic Street.

Notwithstanding any General or special law or any rule or regulation to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of said license to any other location. Said license may be re-issued by the local alcohol licensing authority at the same location if an applicant for said license files with said authority a letter in writing from the Department of Revenue indicating that said license is in good standing with said Department and that any and all applicable taxes have been paid.

If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, such license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the local alcohol licensing authority. Notwithstanding Section 17 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location and under the same conditions specified in the preceding paragraph; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Petition)
Antoine Khoury
Khoury Industries

VOTED: Motion failed.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 14. PURCHASE OF LAND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of two (2) parcels of land owned by Mary Caccavelli, surviving spouse of Frank P. Caccavelli located in the Charles River Grove section of said Town of Bellingham being Lots 305 and 306, all as described in a deed dated February 18, 1976 and recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds in Book 5213, Page 157; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate a sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of parcels of land owned by Mary Caccavelli, surviving spouse of Frank P. Caccavelli located in the Charles River Grove section of said Town of Bellingham being Lots 305 and 306, all as described in a deed dated February 18, 1976 and recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds in Book 5213, Page 157.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 15. STREET ACCEPTANCE STONEHEDGE ROAD

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements appurtenant thereto, and Deed thereto, identified as Stonehedge Road being shown on a Plan entitled "The Woodlands Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land in Bellingham, Massachusetts for Pentad Realty Trust, Leo L. Mayewski Tr. Scale 1"=40', July 28, 1987, David E. Beede EPLS Reading, Massachusetts duly recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 362 as Plan 1526 of 1987, and as more particularly described in a Deed on file at the office of the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the Deed thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Douglas R. & Doreen L. Porter
3 Stonehedge Road
Bellingham, MA 02019)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 16. LAUREL LANE AND EDWARD CIRCLE LAND ACQUISITION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain the fee interest in the streets known as Laurel Lane and Edward Circle as per plan of land entitled "Edward Estates Definitive Subdivision, Bellingham, Mass., prepared for Fredap Realty Trust, 161 Mechanic Street, Bellingham, Mass., Frank J. Gallagher, P.E.", which plan is recorded with Norfolk Deeds as Plan No. 605 of 1996 in Plan Book 442, and more specifically the roadways in the presence of land from Michael S. & Karen M. Bryant of 86 Laurel Lane; Daniel & Patricia A. Giardino of 2 Edward Circle; Bryan M. & Kerry A. Pepin of 7 Edward Circle; Iva A. Iacoi of 1 Edward Circle; Alfred A. DaPrato of 94 Laurel Lane; Gary & Maureen Tutungian of 77 Laurel Lane; and Foresight Enterprises Corp., all of their fee interest in the streets known as Laurel Lane and Edward Circle; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Attorney Juster
Attorney Ambler)

VOTED: Passed over.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 17. UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Finance Committee)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$11,334.21 by transfer from and into various accounts as follows:

TRANSFER TO	TRANSFER FROM	AMOUNT
Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis & Holland PC (ZBA)	Free Cash	\$9,621.42
Susan Barrett, MD (On-Job-Injury)	OJI Account	\$1,179.97
Milford Regional Hospital (On-Job-Injury)	OJI Account	\$ 27.75

BWPO d/b/a Department
of Primary Care
(On-Job-Injury)

OJI Account \$ 250.00

Donald DiMartino
(DPW)

Highway Expenses \$ 199.10

Provident
(On-Job-Injury)

OJI Account \$ 55.97

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM

Attendance:

P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	TOTAL
35	45	62	47	29	218

No Quorum Required.

A true record.

ATTEST:



Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Norfolk, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at:

Stall Brook School in Precinct # 1; Clara Macy School in Precinct # 2;
Bellingham Library in Precinct # 3; Paul J. Primavera Educational Center in
Precinct # 4 and Precinct # 5 in said Bellingham:

On TUESDAY, the SIXTEENTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2008
from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM for the following purposes:

To cast their votes in the State Primary for the candidates of political parties for the following purposes:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS.....FOR THE COMMONWEALTH

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.....2ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNCILLOR.....7TH...DISTRICT

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT—WORCESTER & NORFOLK COUNTY

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.....18TH.....DISTRICT

REGISTER OF PROBATE..... NORFOLK.....COUNTY

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.....NORFOLK...COUNTY

COUNTY TREASURER.....NORFOLK ...COUNTY

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this day of

Lloyd W. Goodnow Jr., Chairperson
Mary E. Chaves
Jerald A. Mayhew

Dawn Marie Davies, Vice Chairman
Richard J. Martinelli

SELECTMEN OF BELLINGHAM

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham by posting attested copies of this Warrant at the Bellingham Municipal Center and other municipal buildings throughout the Town of Bellingham in accordance with Article 4.03 of the town by-laws.

Date Posted: August 14, 2008

Richard J. Martinelli
Constable of Bellingham

Office & Candidates	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total
SENATOR IN CONGRESS						
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John F. Kerry	60	98	105	52	83	398
Edward J. O'Reilly	30	52	43	42	33	200
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	90	150	148	94	117	599

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS						
Second District						
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Richard E. Neal	69	116	123	68	91	467
All Others	1	0	2	1	1	5
BLANKS	20	34	23	25	25	127
TOTAL	90	150	148	94	117	599

COUNCILLOR						
Seventh District						
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Thomas J. Foley	64	106	116	67	84	437
All Others	1	0	1	1	1	4
BLANKS	25	44	31	26	32	158
TOTAL	90	150	148	94	117	599

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT						
Worcester & Norfolk District						
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Richard T. Moore	69	117	121	68	92	467
All Others	1	0	2	1	1	5
BLANKS	20	33	25	25	24	127
TOTAL	90	150	148	94	117	599

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT						
Eighteenth Worcester District						
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Jennifer M. Callahan	72	120	124	72	100	488
All Others	0	0	3	2	1	6
BLANKS	18	29	21	20	16	105
TOTAL	90	149	148	94	117	599

REGISTER OF PROBATE						
Norfolk County						
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Patrick W. McDermott	64	108	117	66	87	442
All Others	1	0	1	0	0	2
BLANKS	25	42	30	28	30	155
TOTAL	90	150	148	94	117	599

COUNTY TREASURER						
Norfolk County						
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Joseph A. Connolly	65	109	115	69	89	447
All Others	1	0	1	0	0	2
BLANKS	24	41	32	25	28	150
TOTAL	90	150	148	94	117	599

COUNTY COMMISSIONER**Norfolk County**

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John M. Gillis	48	89	98	52	66	353
Francis W. O'Brien	58	103	97	67	77	402
All Others	2	0	1	1	1	5
BLANKS	72	108	100	68	90	438
TOTAL	180	300	296	188	234	1198

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REPUBLICAN**SENATOR IN CONGRESS**

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Jeffrey K. Beatty	10	15	24	13	12	74
All Others	1	0	1	1	0	3
BLANKS	0	3	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**Second District**

^_____						
All Others	1	0	8	4	2	15
BLANKS	10	18	17	10	10	65
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

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COUNCILLOR**Seventh District**

^_____						
All Others	2	0	6	2	2	12
BLANKS	9	18	19	12	10	68
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

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SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT**Worcester & Norfolk District**

^_____						
All Others	1	0	6	2	2	11
BLANKS	10	18	19	12	10	69
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT**Eighteenth Worcester District**

^_____						
All Others	1	0	7	2	2	12
BLANKS	10	18	18	12	10	68
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

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REGISTER OF PROBATE**Norfolk County**

All Others	1	0	7	2	1	11
BLANKS	10	18	18	12	11	69
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

Office & Candidates P-1 P-2 P-3 P-4 P-5 Total

COUNTY TREASURER

Norfolk County

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All Others	2	0	7	2	1	12
BLANKS	9	18	18	12	11	68
TOTAL	11	18	25	14	12	80

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Norfolk County

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Thomas E. Gorman	7	14	23	12	11	67
All Others	1	0	0	1	0	2
BLANKS	14	22	27	15	13	91
TOTAL	22	36	50	28	24	160

GREEN- RAINBOW PARTY

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
Office & Candidates	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Second District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

COUNCILLOR

Seventh District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

Worcester & Norfolk District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Eighteenth Worcester District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

REGISTER OF PROBATE

Norfolk County

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

COUNTY TREASURER

Norfolk County

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All Others	0	0	0		0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0		0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
Office & Candidates	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Norfolk County

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All Others	0	0	0		0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0		0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

Working Families Party

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Second District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

COUNCILLOR

Seventh District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

Worcester & Norfolk District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

Office & Candidates	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total
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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Eighteenth Worcester District

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

REGISTER OF PROBATE

Norfolk County

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

COUNTY TREASURER

Norfolk County

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Norfolk County

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All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

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A true record.

ATTEST:



Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

of
October 8th, 2008

Continued to October 16, 2008 at 7:30 PM

ARTICLE 1. AMEND ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the 2008 May Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 1 of the 2008 May Annual Town Meeting by transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1 as follows:

TRANSFER TO	TRANSFER FROM	AMOUNT
Water Salaries	Water Retained Earnings	\$2,744.00
Sewer Salaries	Sewer Retained Earnings	\$ 895.00
Board of Selectmen Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,719.00
Town Administrator Salaries	Free Cash	\$4,307.00
CFO Salaries	Free Cash	\$2,688.00
Assessors Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,689.00
Assessors Expenses	Free Cash	\$3,400.00
Collector Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,935.00
MIS Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,857.00
Building Maintenance Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,441.00
Town Inspector Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,935.00
Animal Control Salaries	Free Cash	\$2,205.00
Highway Admin. Salaries	Free Cash	\$2,857.00
Board of Health Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,697.00
Council on Aging Salaries	Free Cash	\$1,351.00
Police Salaries	Police Salary Encumbrance	\$309,290.36
	Ambulance Receipts Reserve	\$200,000.00
	Stabilization Fund	\$200,000.00
	Overlay Surplus	\$200,000.00

(To fund the FY09 Budget Article 1 of the 2008 May Annual Town Meeting)

(These changes represent the settlement of contracts with the Bellingham Professional Administrator's Association and the Bellingham Police Association)

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. CAPITAL OUTLAY

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which shall not exceed 3.0 million dollars and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

Motion to waive a secret ballot as required by General By-Law Section 4.07.130 carried unanimously.

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$736,985.00 by transferring from and into various accounts as indicated and by borrowing \$220,000.00 and to authorize the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds or notes of the Town by the Treasurer and with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of financing the purchase of an ambulance.

DEPARTMENT	PROJECT	AMOUNT	SOURCE OF FUNDING
CFO	Financial Software Upgrade	\$75,000.00	Overlay Surplus
DPW	Filtration Plant Treatment Alternative	\$50,000.00	Water Retained Earnings
DPW	Well 1 & 2 (Cross St) Rehab/Aux Power	\$175,000.00	Water Retained Earnings
DPW	Dams-Phase II Study	\$70,000.00	Free Cash
DPW	Supplemental Chapter 90 Road Funds	\$150,000.00	Free Cash
DPW	Sewer Infiltration & Inflow (I & I)	\$106,000.00	Sewer Retained Earning
Fire Dept.	Ambulance	\$220,000.00	Borrowing
Police Dept.	Roof Repair	\$55,000.00	Free Cash
School Dept.	School Building Security System	\$55,985.00	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Capital Improvement Committee)

ARTICLE 3. NON-CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES

(Expenditures of Less Than \$50,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which shall not exceed \$1,000,000 and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase of various non-capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum \$172,890.00 by transfer of various funds for the purpose of financing the purchase of various items as follows:

DEPT.	PROJECT	AMOUNT	SOURCE OF FUNDING
Conservation Commission	Land Acquisition Trust	\$10,000.00	Free Cash

DEPT.	PROJECT	AMOUNT	SOURCE OF FUNDING
DPW	Replace BW 3-Pick-up Truck with plow	\$30,000.00	Water Retained Earnings
DPW	Replace BW 10-pick-up Truck with plow	\$30,000.00	Sewer Retained Earnings
DPW	MIS/GIS Mapping	\$10,000.00	Overlay Surplus
Parks Commission	Riding Lawnmower	\$14,390.00	Free Cash
Police Dept.	2 Marked Cruisers	\$64,000.00	Free Cash
School Dept.	Lunch Equipment	\$14,500.00	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. AMEND ARTICLE 3. WATER ENTERPRISE

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3 of the 2008 May Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into Article 3; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 3 of the 2008 May Annual Town Meeting by transferring \$50,000.00 from the Water Retained Earnings Account to the Water Reserve Fund.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. STREET ACCEPTANCE – STONEHEDGE ROAD

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements appurtenant thereto, identified as Stonehedge Road being shown on a Plan entitled "The Woodlands Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land in Bellingham, Massachusetts for Pentad Realty Trust, Leo L. Mayewski Tr. Scale 1" = 40', July 28, 1987, David E. Beede EPLS Reading, Massachusetts duly recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 362 as Plan 1526 of 1987, and as more particularly described in a Deed on file at the office of the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the Deed thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By Douglas R. Porter and Doreen Porter)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town accept as a Public Way a road, the easements appurtenant thereto, identified as Stonehedge Road being shown on a Plan entitled "The Woodlands Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land in Bellingham, Massachusetts for Pentad Realty Trust, Leo L. Mayewski Tr. Scale 1" = 40', July 28, 1987, David E. Beede EPLS Reading, Massachusetts duly recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 362 as Plan 1526 of 1987, and as more particularly described in a Deed on file at the office of the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the Deed thereto. Subject to acceptance of bond and easement for Bellingham vehicles, acceptable by Board of Selectmen and Planning Board.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Not Recommended by Planning Board)

ARTICLE 6. LAND ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept certain parcels of land lying within and without Pine Acres Estate, belonging now or formerly to Leo A. Dalpe and Germaine S. Dalpe, Trustees of the Germaine Realty Trust, specifically the following:

Parcel A containing 3.086 acres, more or less, and the twenty (20) foot sewer easement, both shown on Plan duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 539 of 2005 as Plan No. 55 and Parcel D containing 10.5 acres, more or less, shown on Plan duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 539 of 2005 as Plan No. 58; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Atty. Richard Cornetta)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 7. PACKAGE STORE ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact legislation granting the Board of Selectmen the authority to issue additional Package Store All Alcohol License for Antoine H. Khoury, 3 Mechanic Street.

Notwithstanding any General or special law or any rule or regulation to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of said license to any other location. Said license may be re-issued by the local alcohol licensing authority at the same location if any applicant for said license files with said authority a letter in writing from the Department of Revenue indicating that said license is in good standing with said Department and that any and all applicable taxes have been paid.

If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, such license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the local alcohol licensing authority. Notwithstanding Section 17 of the Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or any other General or Special law to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location and under the same condition specified in the preceding paragraph; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Petition by: Antoine Khoury
Khoury Industries)

VOTED: Voted that the Town direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact legislation granting the Board of Selectmen the authority to issue additional Package Store All Alcohol License for Antoine H. Khoury, 3 Mechanic Street.

Notwithstanding any General or special law or any rule or regulation to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of said license to any other location. Said license may be re-issued by the local alcohol licensing authority at the same location if any applicant for said license files with said authority a letter in writing from the Department of Revenue indicating that said license is in good standing with said Department and that any and all applicable taxes have been paid.

If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, such license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the local alcohol licensing authority. Notwithstanding Section 17 of the Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or any other General or Special law to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location and under the same condition specified in the preceding paragraph.

By hand count. Yes - 90, No - 83 Motion Passed.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 8. REVISION TO TOWN BYLAW ARTICLE 19.03 WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 19.03 of the General Bylaw by deleting the existing Article 19.03 and replacing it with the following:

Article 19.03. Water Use Restriction

This Bylaw is intended to regulate the use of water supplied by the Department of Public Works (DPW).

Section 19.03.010. Purpose

The purpose of this bylaw is to protect, preserve and maintain the public health, safety and welfare whenever there is in force a State of Water Supply Conservation or State of Water Supply Emergency by providing for enforcement of any duly imposed restrictions, requirements, provisions or conditions imposed by the Town or by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Section 19.03.020. Definitions

"State of Water Supply Conservation" shall mean: a State of Water Supply Conservation declared by the Board of Selectmen or DPW Director pursuant to Section 19.03.030

"State of Water Supply Emergency" shall mean: a State of Water Supply Emergency declared by the DEP under MGL Chapter 21G section 15 - 17

"Water Users" shall mean: all public and private users of the Town's public water system, irrespective of any person's responsibility for billing purposes for water used at any particular facility

Section 19.03.030. Declaration Of State Of Water Conservation

The Board of Selectmen may declare a State of Water Conservation upon an affirmative vote of the majority of the members.

The DPW Director may declare a State of Water Conservation if:

- a. The level of water in the Chestnut Street Stand pipe falls to 65 feet
- b. The demand for water has exceeded the actual pumping capacity of the system for a period longer than four (4) days; or
- c. A mechanical failure has occurred removing one (1) or more of the Town's wells from operation
- d. The DEP requires conservation conditions related to the Town's registered or permitted water withdrawals under the Massachusetts Water Management Act.

Public notice of a State of Water Conservation must be given under Section 19.03.050 before it may be enforced.

Section 19.03.040. Restricted Water Uses

A declaration of a State of Water Conservation issued by the Board of Selectmen or the DPW Director may include one (1) or more of the following restrictions, conditions, or requirements restraining the use of water for non-essential purposes as necessary to protect the water supply, which shall be included in the public notice required under Section 19.03.050.

- a. Odd/Even Lawn Watering: Lawn watering at facilities with odd numbered addresses is permitted only on odd numbered days. Lawn watering at facilities with even numbered addresses is permitted only on even numbered days.

- b. One Week Day Outdoor Watering: Outdoor watering by water users is allowed on the day which Town Trash Collection is scheduled for pick up.
- c. One Weekend Day Outdoor Watering: Outdoor watering by water users with odd numbered addresses is restricted to Saturdays. Outdoor watering by water users with even numbered addresses is restricted to Sundays.
- d. Outdoor Watering Hours: Outdoor watering is permitted only during off-peak hours, to be specified in the declaration of a State of Water Conservation and public notice.
- e. Hand Held Hose Watering: : Outdoor watering by water users is allowed but only if a hose is continuously attended. No lawn sprinklers or automatic sprinkler systems allowed.
- f. Outdoor Watering Ban: Lawn watering, and all other forms of non-essential outdoor water use, is prohibited.
- g. Filling Swimming Pools: Filling of swimming pools is prohibited.
- h. Automatic Lawn Sprinkler Use: The use of automatic lawn and garden sprinkler systems is prohibited.

Section 19.03.050. Public Notification of State of Water Supply Conservation

Notification of any provision, restriction, requirement or condition imposed by the Town as part of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be:

- Published in a paper of general circulation in the Town,
- Posted on the local cable television government information scroll,
- Posted on the Bellingham Department of Public Works and Town Home web page, or
- Such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all users of water of the State of Water Supply Conservation.

Any restriction imposed under Section 19.03.040 shall not be effective until such notification is provided.

Notification of the State of Water Supply Conservation shall also be simultaneously provided to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Section 19.03.060. Termination of State Of Water Supply Conservation; Notice

A State of Water Supply Conservation may be terminated by a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen, upon a determination that the water supply shortage no longer exists. Public notification of the termination of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be given by :

- Announcement on televised meeting of the Board of Selectmen,
- Issuance of a Press Release to papers of general circulation in the Town
- Removal of posting from the local cable television government information scroll, and posting of termination.
- Removal of the notice from the Bellingham Department of Public Works and Town Home web page, and posting of termination ,or
- Such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all users

Section 19.03.070. State Of Water Emergency; Compliance with DEP Orders

Upon notification to the public that a declaration of a State of Water Supply Emergency has been issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, no person shall violate any provision, restriction, requirement, condition of any order approved or issued by the Department intended to bring about an end to the State of Emergency.

Section 19.03.080. Penalties

Any person violating this By-Law shall be liable to the Town in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) for the first violation and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each subsequent violation, which shall inure to the General Fund. Each day of violation represents an independent violation. Fines shall be recovered by complaint before the District Court. Each separate issuance of a citation pursuant to Article 19.03 shall constitute a separate violation.

Section 19.03.090. Severability

The invalidity of any portion or provision of this bylaw shall not invalidate any other portion or provision thereof;

or act or do anything related thereto.

By: DPW

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 19.03 of the General Bylaw by deleting the existing Article 19.03 and replacing it with the following:

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- Such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all users

Section 19.03.070. State Of Water Emergency; Compliance with DEP Orders

Upon notification to the public that a declaration of a State of Water Supply Emergency has been issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, no person shall violate any provision, restriction, requirement, condition of any order approved or issued by the Department intended to bring about an end to the State of Emergency.

Section 19.03.080. Penalties

Any person violating this By-Law shall be liable to the Town in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) for the first violation and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each subsequent violation, which shall inure to the General Fund. Each day of violation represents an independent violation. Fines shall be recovered by complaint before the District Court. Each separate issuance of a citation pursuant to Article 19.03 shall constitute a separate violation.

Section 19.03.090. Severability

The invalidity of any portion or provision of this bylaw shall not invalidate any other portion or provision thereof.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

(Recommended by Conservation Committee)

ARTICLE 9. PULASKI BOULEVARD PROJECT TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS

I move that the Town vote to allow the Selectmen to purchase, or take by eminent domain, and raise and appropriate a sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to fund the purchase and all legal recording cost associated with obtaining all temporary construction easements related to the Pulaski Boulevard Roadway Improvement project (Orchard Street to the Franklin town line) and adjacent storm drainage improvements as shown on the plans entitled "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department Roadway Reconstruction of Pulaski Boulevard in the Town of Bellingham, Norfolk County Right-of-Way Plans" drafted by BETA Group, Inc and as listed on the Pulaski Boulevard Temporary Easement Table both of which to be delivered to the Town Clerk's Office fourteen (14) days before the date of the town meeting and available for viewing, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 10. REVISION TO TOWN ZONING BYLAW SECTION 4900 WATER RESOURCE DISTRICTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 4900 Water Resource Districts of the Zoning Bylaws by deleting subparagraph 4980 (iii) "Uses and Activities Requiring A Special Permit", which now reads:

- iii. any use that will render impervious any lot or parcel more than 30%. A system for groundwater recharge must be provided which does not degrade groundwater quality. For non-residential uses, recharge shall be by storm water infiltration basins, or similar system covered with natural vegetation, and dry wells shall be

used only where other methods are infeasible. For all non-residential uses, all such basins and oil, grease, and sediment traps to facilitate removal of contamination shall precede wells. The owner shall permanently maintain any and all recharge areas in full working order.

and replacing it with the following:

- iii. any use that will render impervious any lot or parcel more than 15% or 2,500 square feet, whichever is greater.

Should any use create the need for a Special Permit under this paragraph, the applicant must show plans to construct and maintain a system for groundwater recharge that does not degrade groundwater quality.

- a. For non-residential uses and subdivisions of land,
 - i. A Stormwater Permit Application must be obtained as noted in the Planning Board Procedural Rules.
 - ii. The Massachusetts Wetlands Regulations related to Stormwater recharge and treatment must be adhered to.
- b. For Residential Single Lot or Parcel Uses, which are included in a Special Permit filing, as part of a subdivision plan approval filing with the Planning Board, no individual lot or parcel Special Permit must be obtained.
 - i. The owner shall permanently maintain any and all recharge areas in full working order.
- c. For Residential Single Lot or Parcel Uses that are not included in a Special Permit filing as part of a subdivision plan approval filing with the Planning Board.
 - i. Recharge shall be by stormwater open infiltration basins, or similar system covered with natural vegetation, and dry wells shall be used only where other methods are infeasible.
 - ii. The owner shall permanently maintain any and all recharge areas in full working order.

or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: DPW)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 11. CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES

To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 9.02 of the Town By-Laws and to enact in lieu thereof the following:

Article 9.02: Contracts and Purchases

All Contracts entered into by the Town which are subject to Federal or State bidding requirements shall be awarded only after there has been full compliance with such requirements. In all other cases, except in cases of public calamity or extreme necessity, whenever any work is required to be done for the Town or any Contract for labor or materials, or both, is to be made in behalf of the Town, for a amount exceeding the sum of \$25,000, the Town officer having the matter in charge shall publicly advertise for bids, and may require that a bond with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of such Contract shall be furnished, but no Contract shall be split, separated or divided for the purpose of reducing the amount thereof below said sum of \$25,000. For Contracts in an amount between \$24,999 and \$5,000, the Town officer shall submit proposals for the same from three (3) or more reliable parties, regularly engaged or employed in such work or business. So far as practicable, Contracts for less than \$5,000 shall be made or awarded in such a manner as to secure the benefit of reasonable competition, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: School Superintendent)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town rescind Article 9.02 of the Town By-Laws and to enact in lieu thereof the following:

Article 9.02: Contracts and Purchases

All Contracts entered into by the Town which are subject to Federal or State bidding requirements shall be awarded only after there has been full compliance with such requirements. In all other cases, except in cases of public calamity or extreme necessity, whenever any work is required to be done for the Town or any Contract for labor or materials, or both, is to be made on behalf of the Town, for an amount exceeding the sum of \$25,000, the Town officer having the matter in charge shall publicly advertise for bids, and may require that a bond with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of such Contract shall be furnished, but no Contract shall be split, separated or divided for the purpose of reducing the amount thereof below said sum of \$25,000. For Contracts in an amount between \$5,000 and \$24,999, the Town officer shall seek written quotes from at least three (3) or more reliable parties, regularly engaged or employed in such work or business. So far as practicable, Contracts for less than \$5,000 shall be made or awarded in such a manner as to secure the benefit of reasonable competition, utilizing sound business practices.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 12 . STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of funding the Stabilization Fund; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Finance Committee)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 13 . TAX STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of funding the Tax Stabilization Fund; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 14. PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Passed over.

ARTICLE 15. EMINENT DOMAIN TAKING

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to vote to enter into an agreement for the full settlement of all claims for damages resulting from an eminent domain taking by the MassHighway Department, said taking being of a parcel of land containing 5577 square feet off Mechanic Street (Route 140) as shown on a "Plan of Road in the Town of Bellingham" by Greenman-Federsen, Inc., Stoneham, Massachusetts, and to accept the sum of zero in full settlement; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement for the full settlement of all claims for damages resulting from an eminent domain taking by the MassHighway Department, said taking being of a parcel of land containing 5577 square feet off Mechanic Street (Route 140) as shown on a "Plan of Road in the Town of Bellingham" by Greenman-Federsen, Inc., Stoneham, Massachusetts, and to accept the sum of zero in full settlement.

Motion carried by a 2/3 voice vote.

(per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997)

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 16 . UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,352.50 for the payment of certain unpaid bills as hereinafter listed:

DEPT.	PAYMENT TO	AMOUNT	TRANSFERRED FROM
DPW	Allied Waste	\$6,671.00	Trash Enterprise
ZBA	Deutsh, Williams Brooks	\$3,681.50	Free Cash

(Recommended by Finance Committee)


Meeting Adjourned at 9:32PM

Attendance:

P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	TOTAL
26	29	55	45	26	181

No Quorum Required.

A true record.

Attest: 

Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH**

Norfolk, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at:

Stall Brook School in Precinct # 1; Clara Macy School in Precinct # 2;
Bellingham Library in Precinct # 3; Paul J. Primavera Educational Center in
Precinct # 4 and Precinct # 5 in said Bellingham:

**On TUESDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2008
from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM for the following purposes:**

To cast their votes in the State Primary for the candidates of political parties for the following purposes:

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.....STATEWIDE
SENATOR IN CONGRESS.....FOR THE COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.....2ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR.....7th DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT..... WORCESTER & NORFOLK COUNTY
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT..... 18TH WORCESTER DISTRICT
REGISTER OF PROBATE.....NORFOLK COUNTY
COUNTY COMMISSIONER..... NORFOLK COUNTY
COUNTY TREASURER.....NORFOLK COUNTY

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 4th day of August, 2008

Lloyd W. Goodnow Jr., Chairperson
Mary E. Chaves
Jerald A. Mayhew

Dawn Marie Davies, Vice Chairman
Richard J. Martinelli

SELECTMEN OF BELLINGHAM

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham by posting attested copies of this Warrant at the Bellingham Municipal Center and other municipal buildings throughout the Town of Bellingham in accordance with Article 4.03 of the town by-laws.

Date Posted: August 14, 2008

Richard J. Martinelli
Constable of Bellingham

Town of Bellingham
State Election
November 4, 2008

1/13/09

1:57 PM

Office & Candidates	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	

ELECTORS of PRESIDENT							
and VICE PRESIDENT							
Baldwin and Castle	8	2	4	3	8	25	0.24%
Barr and Root	5	9	9	4	4	31	0.29%
McCain and Palin	810	693	723	917	640	3783	35.70%
McKinney and Clemente	3	4	5	2	7	21	0.20%
Nader and Gonzalez	11	15	27	24	18	95	0.90%
Obama and Biden	860	776	949	936	843	4364	41.01%
All Others	12	8	16	13	6	55	0.52%
BLANKS	6	8	11	8	6	39	0.37%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

SENATOR IN CONGRESS							
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John F. Kerry	988	870	1047	1044	953	4902	46.17%
Jeffrey K. Beatty	628	559	584	724	477	2972	28.00%
Robert J. Underwood	60	48	69	78	68	323	3.01%
All Others	1	2	1	1	2	7	0.07%
BLANKS	38	36	43	60	32	209	1.97%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS							
Second District							
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Richard E. Neal	1227	1081	1281	1374	1143	6106	57.43%
All Others	20	22	26	32	24	124	1.17%
BLANKS	468	412	437	501	365	2183	20.62%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.04%

COUNCILLOR							
Seventh District							
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Thomas J. Foley	1177	1048	1240	1322	1106	5893	55.42%
All Others	16	15	17	20	18	86	0.81%
BLANKS	522	452	487	565	408	2434	22.99%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT							
Worcester & Norfolk District							
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Richard T. Moore	1220	1090	1296	1380	1155	6141	57.76%
All Others	16	17	17	17	16	83	0.78%
BLANKS	479	408	431	510	361	2189	20.68%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.04%

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT							
Eighteenth Worcester District							
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Jennifer M. Callahan	1261	1123	1315	1454	1210	6363	59.86%
All Others	14	19	18	20	11	82	0.77%
BLANKS	440	373	411	433	311	1968	18.59%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

Office & Candidates	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	Total	

REGISTER OF PROBATE							
Norfolk County							
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Patrick W. McDermott	1163	1041	1221	1301	1097	5823	54.76%
All Others	11	16	14	18	13	72	0.68%
BLANKS	541	458	509	588	422	2518	23.79%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

COUNTY TREASURER							
Norfolk County							
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Joseph A. Connolly	1163	1034	1224	1305	1089	5815	54.68%
All Others	12	14	14	16	13	69	0.65%
BLANKS	540	467	506	586	430	2529	23.89%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

COUNTY COMMISSIONER							
Norfolk County							
^							
John M. Gillis	601	547	649	637	579	3013	14.17%
Francis W. O'Brien	682	637	700	705	659	3383	15.90%
Thomas E. Gorman	498	402	496	592	377	2365	11.13%
Michael F. Walsh	427	355	434	499	379	2094	9.83%
All Others	2	1	6	3	7	19	0.09%
BLANKS	1220	1088	1203	1378	1063	5952	28.12%
TOTAL	3430	3030	3488	3814	3064	16826	79.23%

REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE							
Blackstone Valley - Northbridge							
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Jeff T. Koopman	1184	1060	1230	1329	1100	5903	55.51%
All Others	4	5	8	9	7	33	0.31%
BLANKS	527	450	506	569	425	2477	23.40%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%

QUESTION #1							
State Personal Income Tax							
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YES	650	518	584	719	548	3019	28.37%
NO	1056	971	1110	1169	932	5238	49.32%
BLANKS	15	26	50	19	52	162	1.53%
TOTAL	1721	1515	1744	1907	1532	8419	79.23%

QUESTION #2							
Possession of Marijuana							
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YES	1135	1011	1187	1276	993	5602	52.80%
NO	559	459	502	607	474	2601	24.47%
BLANKS	21	42	55	24	65	207	1.96%
TOTAL	1715	1512	1744	1907	1532	8410	79.23%

QUESTION #3							
Dog Racing							
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YES	956	801	909	1030	779	4475	42.03%
NO	735	668	773	838	680	3694	34.89%
BLANKS	24	46	62	39	73	244	2.31%
TOTAL	1715	1515	1744	1907	1532	8413	79.23%



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OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK

Bellingham Municipal Center
10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

n Clerk
L. Odabashian

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PUBLICATION OF TOWN BY-LAWS

The attached amendments to the
General By-Law Articles # 8 & 11

of the Warrant for the Bellingham Special Town Meeting
that convened on October 8, 2008 – Case # 4907
with the approval of the Attorney General is hereby:

PUBLISHED

Any claim to invalidity by reason of defect in the procedure of adoption and/or
amendment may only be made, in writing, within ninety days of this posting.

ATTEST:

Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk

POSTED IN THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

Precinct # 1	North Civic/Senior Center & Stall Brook School
Precinct # 2	Clara Macy School & Depot Court Activity Room
Precinct # 3	Bellingham Municipal Center & Bellingham Public Library
Precinct # 4	Charlie's Tire & School Administration Bldg.
Precinct # 5	Wrentham Manor Activity Room & Li'l General Store

Date Posted:

February 5 2009

Constable of Bellingham



MARTHA COAKLEY
ATTORNEY GENERAL

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION
1350 MAIN STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01103-1629

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January 27, 2009

Ann L. Odabashian, Town Clerk
10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

RE: **Bellingham Special Town Meeting of October 8, 2008 - Case # 4907**
Warrant Articles # 8 and 11 (General)

Dear Ms. Odabashian:

Articles 8 and 11 - We return with the approval of this Office the amendments to the Town by-laws adopted under these Articles on the warrant for the Bellingham Special Town Meeting that convened on October 8, 2008. Our comments on Article 11 are provided in more detail below.

Article 11 - The amendments adopted under Article 11 delete Article 9.02 of the Town's general by-laws and insert a new Article 9.02: "Contracts and Purchases." The new Article 9.02 provides as follows:

All Contracts entered into by the Town which are subject to Federal or State bidding requirements shall be awarded only after there has been full compliance with such requirements. In all other cases, except in cases of public calamity or extreme necessity, whenever any work is required to be done for the Town or any Contract for labor or materials, or both, is to be made on behalf of the Town, for an amount exceeding the sum of \$25,000, the Town officer having the matter in charge shall publicly advertise for bids, and may require that a bond with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of such Contract shall be furnished, but no Contract shall be split, separated or divided for the purpose of reducing the amount thereof below said sum of \$25,000. For Contracts in an amount between \$5,000 and \$24,999, the Town officer shall seek written quotes from at least three (3) or more reliable parties, regularly engaged or employed in such work or business. So far as practicable, Contracts for less than \$5,000 shall be made or awarded in such a manner as to secure the benefit of reasonable competition, utilizing sound business practices.

The proposed by-law requires that all contracts subject to federal and state bidding laws must comply with the requirements of such federal and state laws. The proposed by-law also provides that "[i]n all other cases" the requirements established in the proposed by-law must be satisfied. It is unclear what the Town means by "[i]n all other cases." In order to avoid an inconsistency with state law, we construe "[i]n all other cases" to mean that the substantive provisions of the proposed by-law apply to contract not covered by federal and state bidding and procurement laws.¹ For example, the

¹ "In all other cases" could be construed to mean if the requirements of federal and state laws have not been satisfied then the requirements of the proposed by-law apply.

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proposed by-law does not apply to contracts governed by G.L. c. 30, § 39M, c. 30B, and c. 149, and our approval of the proposed by-law is so limited. We suggest that the Town discuss this issue in more detail with Town Counsel.

We specifically call the Town's attention to the requirement of public advertising for bids. The proposed by-law requires public advertisements for bids, but does not include, for example, the specific duration and location of advertisements. The lack of specificity in the advertisement requirements could create uncertainty as to whether there has been compliance with the requirements of the proposed by-law. The Town may wish to discuss this issue in more detail with Town Counsel and amend the proposed by-law at a future Town Meeting.

Lastly, we also point out that the provisions of proposed by-law address contracts over \$25,000 and contract between \$5,000 and \$24,999, but does not address contracts equal to \$25,000. It is unclear what process would apply to contracts that equal \$25,000. The Town may wish to amend the proposed by-law at a future Town Meeting to address this.

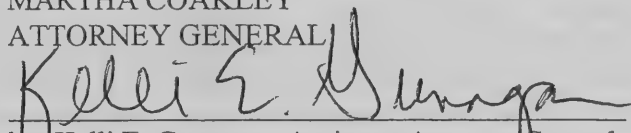
Note: Under G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of this section. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

If the Attorney General has disapproved and deleted one or more portions of any by-law or by-law amendment submitted for approval, only those portions approved are to be posted and published pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32. We ask that you forward to us a copy of the final text of the by-law or by-law amendments reflecting any such deletion. It will be sufficient to send us a copy of the text posted and published by the Town Clerk pursuant to this statute.

Nothing in the Attorney General's approval authorizes an exemption from any applicable state law or regulation governing the subject of the by-law submitted for approval.

Very truly yours,

MARTHA COAKLEY
ATTORNEY GENERAL



By: Kelli E. Gunagan, Assistant Attorney General
By-law Coordinator, Municipal Law Unit
1350 Main Street, 4th Floor
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(413) 784-1240 ext. 7717

enc.

cc: Town Counsel



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November 19, 2008

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**RE: SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF
October 16, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.**

I hereby certify the following is a true record of the vote of Article 8 adopted by the Voters of the Town of Bellingham at the above Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 8. REVISION TO TOWN BYLAW ARTICLE 19.03 WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town amend Article 19.03 of the General Bylaw by deleting the existing Article 19.03 and replacing it with the following:

Article 19.03. Water Use Restriction

This Bylaw is intended to regulate the use of water supplied by the Department of Public Works (DPW).

Section 19.03.010. Purpose

The purpose of this bylaw is to protect, preserve and maintain the public health, safety and welfare whenever there is in force a State of Water Supply Conservation or State of Water Supply Emergency by providing for enforcement of any duly imposed restrictions, requirements, provisions or conditions imposed by the Town or by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Section 19.03.020. Definitions

"State of Water Supply Conservation" shall mean: a State of Water Supply Conservation declared by the Board of Selectmen or DPW Director pursuant to Section 19.03.030

"State of Water Supply Emergency" shall mean: a State of Water Supply Emergency declared by the DEP under MGL Chapter 21G section 15 - 17

"Water Users" shall mean: all public and private users of the Town's public water system, irrespective of any person's responsibility for billing purposes for water used at any particular facility

Section 19.03.030. Declaration Of State Of Water Conservation

The Board of Selectmen may declare a State of Water Conservation upon an affirmative vote of the majority of the members.

The DPW Director may declare a State of Water Conservation if:

- a. The level of water in the Chestnut Street Stand pipe falls to 65 feet
- b. The demand for water has exceeded the actual pumping capacity of the system for a period longer than four (4) days; or
- c. A mechanical failure has occurred removing one (1) or more of the Town's wells from operation
- d. The DEP requires conservation conditions related to the Town's registered or permitted water withdrawals under the Massachusetts Water Management Act.

Public notice of a State of Water Conservation must be given under Section 19.03.050 before it may be enforced.

Section 19.03.040. Restricted Water Uses

A declaration of a State of Water Conservation issued by the Board of Selectmen or the DPW Director may include one (1) or more of the following restrictions, conditions, or requirements restraining the use of water for non-essential purposes as necessary to protect the water supply, which shall be included in the public notice required under Section 19.03.050.

- a. Odd/Even Lawn Watering: Lawn watering at facilities with odd numbered addresses is permitted only on odd numbered days. Lawn watering at facilities with even numbered addresses is permitted only on even numbered days.
- b. One Week Day Outdoor Watering: Outdoor watering by water users is allowed on the day which Town Trash Collection is scheduled for pick up.
- c. One Weekend Day Outdoor Watering: Outdoor watering by water users with odd numbered addresses is restricted to Saturdays. Outdoor watering by water users with even numbered addresses is restricted to Sundays.
- d. Outdoor Watering Hours: Outdoor watering is permitted only during off-peak hours, to be specified in the declaration of a State of Water Conservation and public notice.

- e. Hand Held Hose Watering: : Outdoor watering by water users is allowed but only if a hose is continuously attended. No lawn sprinklers or automatic sprinkler systems allowed.
- f. Outdoor Watering Ban: Lawn watering, and all other forms of non-essential outdoor water use, is prohibited.
- g. Filling Swimming Pools: Filling of swimming pools is prohibited.
- h. Automatic Lawn Sprinkler Use: The use of automatic lawn and garden sprinkler systems is prohibited.

Section 19.03.050. Public Notification of State of Water Supply Conservation

Notification of any provision, restriction, requirement or condition imposed by the Town as part of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be:

- Published in a paper of general circulation in the Town,
- Posted on the local cable television government information scroll,
- Posted on the Bellingham Department of Public Works and Town Home web page, or
- Such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all users of water of the State of Water Supply Conservation.

Any restriction imposed under Section 19.03.040 shall not be effective until such notification is provided.

Notification of the State of Water Supply Conservation shall also be simultaneously provided to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Section 19.03.060. Termination of State Of Water Supply Conservation; Notice

A State of Water Supply Conservation may be terminated by a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen, upon a determination that the water supply shortage no longer exists. Public notification of the termination of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be given by :

- Announcement on televised meeting of the Board of Selectmen,
- Issuance of a Press Release to papers of general circulation in the Town

- Removal of posting from the local cable television government information scroll, and posting of termination.
- Removal of the notice from the Bellingham Department of Public Works and Town Home web page, and posting of termination ,or
- Such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all users

Section 19.03.070. State Of Water Emergency; Compliance with DEP Orders

Upon notification to the public that a declaration of a State of Water Supply Emergency has been issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, no person shall violate any provision, restriction, requirement, condition of any order approved or issued by the Department intended to bring about an end to the State of Emergency.

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Any person violating this By-Law shall be liable to the Town in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) for the first violation and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each subsequent violation, which shall inure to the General Fund. Each day of violation represents an independent violation. Fines shall be recovered by complaint before the District Court. Each separate issuance of a citation pursuant to Article 19.03 shall constitute a separate violation.

Section 19.03.090. Severability

The invalidity of any portion or provision of this bylaw shall not invalidate any other portion or provision thereof.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)
(Recommended by Conservation Committee)

A True Copy .

Attest:



Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK

Bellingham Municipal Center
10 Mechanic Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

November 19, 2008

Town Clerk
Ann L. Odabashian

Tel: 508-657-2830
Fax: 508-657-2830

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**RE: SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF
October 16, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.**

I hereby certify the following is a true record of the vote of Article 11 adopted
By the voters of the Town of Bellingham at the above Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 11. Contracts and Purchases

VOTED: Unanimously voted that the Town rescind Article 9.02 of the Town By-Laws and to enact in lieu thereof the following:

Article 9.02: Contracts and Purchases

All Contracts entered into by the Town which are subject to Federal or State bidding requirements shall be awarded only after there has been full compliance with such requirements. In all other cases, except in cases of public calamity or extreme necessity, whenever any work is required to be done for the Town or any Contract for labor or materials, or both, is to be made on behalf of the Town, for an amount exceeding the sum of \$25,000, the Town officer having the matter in charge shall publicly advertise for bids, and may require that a bond with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of such Contract shall be furnished, but no Contract shall be split, separated or divided for the purpose of reducing the amount thereof below said sum of \$25,000. For Contracts in an amount between \$5,000 and \$24,999, the Town officer shall seek written quotes from at least three (3) or more reliable parties, regularly engaged or employed in such work or business. So far as practicable, Contracts for less than \$5,000 shall be made or awarded in such a manner as to secure the benefit of reasonable competition, utilizing sound business practices.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

A True Copy.

Attest:

**Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk**

TOWN CLERK'S RECEIPTS

DOG LICENSES SOLD - 2008

	Numbered Issued	Unit Price	Gross Receipts Paid to Town
Male	108	\$15.00	\$ 1,620.00
Neutered Male	848	\$10.00	\$ 8,480.00
Female	60	\$15.00	\$ 900.00
Spayed Female	840	\$10.00	\$ 8,400.00
Kennel - 3 dogs or less	3	\$30.00	\$ 90.00
Kennel - 10 dogs or less	1	\$55.00	\$ 55.00
Kennel - More than 10 dogs	5	\$105.00	\$ 525.00
TOTAL LICENSES SOLD	1,865		\$20,070.00
LATE FEES			\$ 1,050.00
TOTAL			\$21,120.00

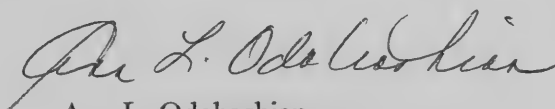
The Town of Bellingham accepted the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140, Section 147A at the special Town Meeting held on December 15, 1987. This authorized the town to keep all fees collected from the sale of dog licenses or monies received as fines.

Dog and Kennel Licenses are due annually April 1st.

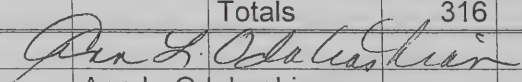
A \$10.00 late fee is imposed after June 30th for each dog licensed.

A true record.

ATTEST:



Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK'S RECEIPTS						
FISH & GAME LICENSES						
	Unit Price	Town Fee	Total Sales	Gross Receipts	Fees To Town	Net To State
Resident Fishing	\$22.50	\$0.50	31	\$697.50	\$15.50	\$682.00
Resident Fishing Minor	\$6.50	\$0.50	3	\$19.50	\$1.50	\$18.00
Resident Fishing 65-69	\$11.25	\$0.50	10	\$112.50	\$5.00	\$107.50
Resident Fishing Over 70/Handicap	\$0.00	None	29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Resident Fishing	\$32.50	\$0.50	1	\$32.50	\$0.50	\$32.00
Non-Resident Fishing 3-Day	\$18.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Fishing 3-Day	\$7.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Resident Minor	\$6.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Trapping	\$30.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Trapping Minor	\$6.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Trapping Age 65-69	\$15.25	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Duplicate Fishing	\$2.50	None	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Duplicate Trapping	\$2.50	None	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Citizen hunting	\$22.50	\$0.50	9	\$202.50	\$4.50	\$198.00
resident Hunting 65-69	\$11.25	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Hunting Paraplegic	\$0.00	None	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Alien Hunting	\$22.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Resident Big Game	\$94.50	\$0.50	1	\$94.50	\$0.50	\$94.00
Non-Resident Small Game	\$60.50	\$0.50	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Citizen Minor Hunting	\$6.50	\$0.50	1	\$6.50	\$0.50	\$6.00
Resident Sporting	\$40.00	\$0.50	13	\$520.00	\$6.50	\$513.50
Resident Sporting 65-69	\$20.00	\$0.50	6	\$120.00	\$3.00	\$117.00
resident Citizen Sporting-Over 70	\$0.00	None	20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Duplicate Hunting	\$2.50	None	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Duplicate Sporting	\$2.50	None	1	\$2.50	\$0.00	\$2.50
Archery Stamp	\$5.10	\$0.10	16	\$81.60	\$1.60	\$80.00
Waterfowl Stamp	\$5.00	\$0.25	3	\$15.00	\$0.75	\$14.25
Primitive Firearms Stamp	\$5.10	\$0.10	22	\$112.20	\$2.20	\$110.00
Wildlife Conservation Stamp(Resider	\$5.00	None	73	\$365.00	\$0.00	\$365.00
Wildlife Conservation Stamp(Non-Re	\$5.00	None	2	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Town of Bellingham \$1.00 Fee	\$1.00	\$1.00	75	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$0.00
		Totals	316	\$2,466.80	\$117.05	\$2,349.75
A True Record.						
Attest:	 Ann L. Odabashian Bellingham Town Clerk					

December 31, 2008

YEARLY
TOTAL

\$19,569.80

Attest:

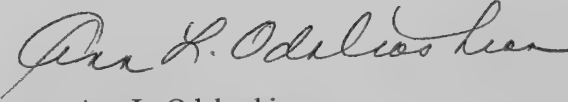
Ann L. Odabashian

Bellingham Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK'S
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
FOR THE YEAR 2008

	<u>Number Issued</u>	<u>Gross Receipts</u>	<u>Receipts Paid to STATE</u>	<u>Receipts Paid to TOWN</u>
Dog License	1,865	\$21,120.00	---	\$21,120.00
Fish & Game Receipts	Varied	\$ 2,466.80	\$ 2,,349.75	\$ 117.05
Misc. Licenses, Certificates, Etc.	Varied	\$19,569.80	---	\$19,569.80
 TOTALS		\$43,156.60	\$ 2,349.75	\$40,806.85

A true record.

ATTEST: 
 Ann L. Odabashian
 Bellingham Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS RECORD

2008

BIRTHS	197
MARRIAGES	92
DEATHS	73
TOTALS	362

Vital statistics recorded in the Town Report reflect events which occurred ONLY in Massachusetts. Many of Bellingham's births and deaths are in surrounding hospitals in Rhode Island and are considered out-of-state records and not returned to the town of residence.

MARRIAGES recorded in the Town of Bellingham include ONLY those couples that filed their marriage intention in Bellingham.

OUT OF WEDLOCK BIRTHS:

Chapter 556 of the Acts of 1989 allow for resident copies of out of wedlock births to be transmitted to the town of residents, upon request of the mother at the time of birth. This act has been in effect since February 27, 1990 and applies to births from that date to the present.

These records are still considered "impounded" and access is limited to the following individuals:

- Mother and Father - if Father is listed on record
- Child
- Legal Guardian of the Child - with proper legal papers
- Legal representative of the above

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

IN THE YEAR 2008

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME OF PRINCIPALS	RESIDENCE
JANUARY		
12	Michael Patrick Carter Eriko Kono	Bellingham, MA Setagaya, Tokyo, Japan
FEBRUARY		
14	James Daniel Kazijian Jeanette Marie Lucas	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
17	Nicholas Paul McDowell Truong Dong Thi Nguyen	Cumberland, RI Bellingham, MA
MARCH		
1	Natalino N. C. Da Silva Filomenia Fatima Araujo	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
8	Quinton E. Jones Carmen Delia Castillo	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
22	Joshua Paul Benoist Kym Janice Tomassini	Nashua, NH Bellingham, MA
30	Jeffrey Patrick Carroll Lindsey Ann McCall	Blackstone, MA Blackstone, MA
APRIL		
12	Edward Jude Pagliuca Jennifer Lynn Sencar	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
12	Justin Christopher Morris Jill Lee Cantore	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
19	Jason Michael Allen Julianne Marie LeBlanc	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
30	Frank Williams, Jr. Tong Li	Cullman, AL Shrewsbury, MA

MAY

4	Bernard A. Lough Joanna L. Bonin	North Providence, RI Bellingham, MA
10	Justin Anthony Ridenour Elizabeth Deborah Villano	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
17	Gerard Richard Chabot Heather Dawn Merrick	Blackstone, MA Blackstone, MA
19	Jason Todd Savageau Lindsay Ann Figueiredo	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
24	Stephen L. Dunn Rosette Winfred Kasse-Kaluma	Woonsocket, RI South Easton, MA
24	Brian Francis Pecora Inna Claiborne	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
31	Donald M. Larivee Maria E. Ruiz	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
31	Steven L. Tenore Stephanie Tara Smith	Bellingham, MA Pawtucket, RI
31	Michael Richard Macedo Katherine Anne Silva	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
31	Mark Douglas Watson Karen Ann Guilmette	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

JUNE

1	Anthony John Guarino Ashley Tyla Toye	No. Providence, RI Lincoln, RI
6	John William McKinnies III Rachel Ann Vadenais	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
6	Michael John Dupuis Michelle Saltzberg	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
7	David F. Azevedo Delana Louise Lindsey	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
7	Lawrence John Gentile, Jr. Phyliss Ann Richardson	Ashland, MA Bellingham, MA

JUNE

7	Ryan Gordon Seyffert Cassandra Kim Bettencourt	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
8	Cesar Jose Bustamante Kimberley Janet Reid	Oviedo, Asturias, Spain Bellingham, MA
13	Adam Stephen Gosselin Nicole Maria Chapman	Winston-Salem, NC Winston-Salem, NC
14	Thomas Andrew Rockwell Catherine Kelly Boone	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
14	Duot N. Nguyen Tam Thi Minh Do	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
15	Michael Frederick Morin Allison Kimberly Libby	Blackstone, MA Woonsocket, RI
21	Gregory Theodore Kincaid Allison Hope McGee	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
21	Scott Michael Listenfelt Lisa Anne Ethier	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
21	Matthew Guerino Criasia Karin Jamile Vazquez	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
21	Daniel Robert Rich Lucy Shannon Bonoldi	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
27	Douglas Lee Walton, Jr. Suzanne Stavish	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
28	Brian Alan Mailloux Diane Marie Dupre	Greenville, RI Greenville, RI
28	John Anthony Russo Elissa Rachel Cohen	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
28	Carlo Richard Lombardo Adrianna Jean Gasset	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

JULY

4	Michael Francis Taylor Linda Bernadette Greene	Chepachet, RI Chepachet, RI
5	Andrew Phillip Gagnon Jaime Elizabeth Schell	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
5	Oswaldo Bonilla, Jr. Tiffany Lee Tessier	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
5	Andrew Robert Viera Kelly Marie McGowan	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
11	Paul Matthew Ivanoski, III Sarah Elizabeth Green	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
12	Jonathan Adam Waggenheim Vanessa Christine Blum	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
13	Karl Allen Duffey Jessica W. Hudon	Manchester, PA Manchester, PA
18	Richard William Taylor, Jr. Donna Marie LaPlante	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
19	Robert A. Burke Nakia Marchand	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
19	Kevin Rene Cartier Jennifer Ann Hughes	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
21	Peter S. Fraser Jeanne Marie Thornton	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
26	Richard Alfred Romiti Susan Elder	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

AUGUST

2	Michael John Wojcik Lindsey Anne Harnois	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
2	Fred Paul Beauchesne II Heather Marie Hawkins	Bellingham, MA Franklin, MA
8	Stephen Anton Johnson, Jr. Marquel Nicole Frink	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

AUGUST

13	Luis Ignacio Castro-Tacuri Sara Rebecca Richardson	Milford, MA Milford, MA
16	John Joseph Ridolfi Beverly Scott Ridolfi	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
16	Timothy Scott Johnson Amy Marie Heenan	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
23	Keith Robert Harlow Dawn Lee Thompson	Milford, MA Bellingham, MA
24	Joshua Brandon Lafave Jessica Rose Mason	Worcester, MA Bellingham, MA
30	Philip D. Saulnier Courtney Anne Rissman	Bellingham, MA Manchester, CT
30	Peter Gerard Chauvin Allanna Michelle Cox	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
31	Douglas Michael Thomson Colleen Marie Jacobs	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

SEPTEMBER

5	Bryan Peter Mayer Leslie R. Bacon	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
6	Kevin D. Delano Christine M. Johnson	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
6	Victor Luis DaCosta Christie Marie Flynn	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
13	Bradley Wilhelm Burke Annemarie Lorraine LoPresti	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
13	Brian Joseph Mocogni, Jr. Shawna Leigh Cadman	Riverside, RI Bellingham, MA
20	Anthony Lewis Veader Shannon Jean Kramarski	Johnston, RI Johnston, RI
20	Travis Ray Brown Erica Lynn Choiniere	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

SEPTEMBER

20	Michael Joseph Cournoyer Debra Medeiros Carreiro	Woonsocket, RI Pawtucket, RI
21	Keith Richard Post Donna Ann Lyons	N. Attleboro, MA N. Attleboro, MA
26	David Scott Mitchell Kristal Ann Belleville	Bellingham, MA Woonsocket, RI
27	Anthony Alexander Hardy Jennifer Lorraine Vadeboncoeur	Lincoln, RI Lincoln, RI
28	Todd Evan Alsworth Amber Lynn Fenner	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

OCTOBER

4	Dennis J. Nally Lynda Jean Poissant	North Attleboro, MA Millville, MA
4	Mark Leonard Hamel Dana Athena Rodrigues	Woonsocket, RI Charlton, MA
11	Paul M. Slavin Amanda Rea McKenna	Franklin, MA Franklin, MA
11	Deonta Dontrell Prescott Jaclyn Ayn Pizzi	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
11	Shawn Michael Wade Deborah Ruth Giangarra	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
12	Michael William McNally Michelle Lee Mahoney	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
18	Louis Alberto Medeiros Holly Suzanne Fay	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
19	Jeffrey Robert Mort Jillian Ann Ball	North Smithfield, RI North Smithfield, RI
25	Scott Geoffrey Farrell Denise Myra Purdy	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

NOVEMBER

9	Matthew Joseph Wenger Tina Lynn Choquette	Franklin, MA Bellingham, MA
16	Gary Steven Schreffler Lynne Marie Lyons	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
29	Christopher Joseph Preve Sandra Paula Silva	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

DECEMBER

1	Basem A. Neseim Vivian Elizabeth Mikhail	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
8	Praphan Kaewthong Wasana Kuprasithrut	Woonsocket, RI Woonsocket, RI
19	Wayne S. Morey Elena Sevcenco	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
24	Robert P. Leonardo Donna Marie Tingley	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA
31	John Richard Duckworth Donna Lee Lydon	Bellingham, MA Bellingham, MA

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

IN THE YEAR 2008

DATE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	AGE
JANUARY		
2	Therese I. (LeDuc) Cournoyer	82
9	William E. Barrette	81
11	Thomas Edward Taylor	53
12	Carlton B. Hazleton	70
12	Marcelle S. (Coady) Thibault	39
13	John D. Saponaro	43
25	Rita (Peluso) Segarra	79
26	Frances Evelyn (Jones) Connolly	84
30	Donald F. Austin	73
FEBRUARY		
5	Suzanne M. (Alexander) Auger	56
7	Ronald F. Mahoney	71
11	Sean Joseph McGlynn	18
27	Rita (Giannini) Barsotti	97
MARCH		
11	Alfred P. Hallfelder	79
12	Shirley Ann (Drew) Munro	65
16	Irene C. (Sheehan) Cote	67
18	Hugh R. Reynolds	83
20	Philip C. Burch	66
APRIL		
4	Alfred D. Gaboury	89
4	Marilyn Oliver	82
12	Mary (Grillo) Peluso	89
13	Josephine M. (Picariello) Pace	85
25	Violet Quintana	58
30	Gerald F. Lapio	69

MAY

9	Barbara M. (Spearwater) Marden	82
13	Matthew Frederick Pytko	84
13	Valerie J. (Marchand) Bourgeois	62
17	Kenneth M. Heuklom	82
23	Wayne A. Marcheterre	48
28	Marcel J. Dupre	83

JUNE

1	Catherine V. (Holt) Lane	88
12	Adelard B. Morin	86
18	Noreen M. Parkinson	54
23	Stanley J. Fabian	86
26	Pauline C. (Rondeau) Cournoyer	89

JULY

8	Kieran H. McDonald	25
8	Susan M. (Arcand) Morris	53
10	Ruth L. Dalton	78
13	David A. Terrio	23
13	John T. Temko	78
23	Frederick D. Urban	86
24	John W. Volpe	57

SEPTEMBER

4	Denis J. Letourneau	55
8	Nancy E. (Skidmore) Reynolds	69
14	Cecile (Boisseau) Robidoux	88
20	Caroline M. (Roberts) Walden	62
21	James Chester Rawlinson, Jr.	69
24	Dale R. Carey	77
24	Pauline L. (Cross) Uvezian	63
25	George E. Gagnon, Sr.	63
25	Ruth V. (Lawrence) Donnell	91

OCTOBER

1	Edwin Lorimer Graves, Jr.	78
7	Cheryl R. (Randall) Delaney	62
8	Rosemary (Pilla) Bassett	79
18	Ronald C. Stochaj	70
24	Francis A. Pine	84
26	Mary C. (Carpenter) Gustin	81
28	Emilia (Bialogur) Mikulko	95
28	Philip L. Dunphy	58

NOVEMBER

8	Joseph Thomas Aucoin, Sr.	81
8	Irene F. (Babbitt) Antobenedetto	72
11	Helen E. (Bevans) Clabby	88
14	Stanley William Spont	84
14	Daniel J. Foley, Jr.	77
27	Jeanne M. (Thornton) Fraser	55
27	Lawrence J. Kangas	80

DECEMBER

6	Donald E. Wozniak	73
13	Mary C. (Butera) Caruso	82
15	Joseph J. Clinton	87
16	Madeline J. (Taxiera) Dexter	79
20	Kenneth P. Barnett	73
26	John E. Mullen	83
26	Barbara E. (Jones) Esterly	85



BELLINGHAM AUXILIARY POLICE

45 Newland Avenue
Bellingham, MA 02019
(508) 883-4158
Chief, Eugene Bartlett

Bellingham Auxiliary Police Annual Report – 2008

The primary function of the Bellingham Auxiliary police department is to assist the Bellingham police department in the event of an emergency. It is not our intent, nor desire to take over any work that is customarily assigned to the regular police department. However, we do give freely of our time when asked to supplement the regular police department. The Bellingham Auxiliary police department is available to all non-profit organizations. Persons seeking an application to join must be a resident of the town of Bellingham for at least one (1) year and must be Twenty-one (21) years of age.

The Auxiliary police department has contributed many hours throughout the year to various events in the town of Bellingham and other various local surrounding towns for traffic and crowd control. The Auxiliary police have logged numerous miles and personnel hours by patrolling all schools, parks, churches, cemeteries, town properties and assisting the Bellingham police department with accidents.

The Auxiliary police also participate in the following events:

High school home football games	11 officers
High school graduation exercises	2 officers
Memorial Day parade	19 officers
4 th of July Celebration	12 officers
Santa Parade, Milford, MA	6 officers
Concerts on the Common	10 officers
Lighting of the trees in town common	1 officer
Parade, Holliston, MA	7 officers
BAA Marathon, Hopkinton, MA	7 officers
Town Halloween coverage	14 officers
Pan Mass Challenge Bike Ride	5 officers
Town Common Special Events Days	3 officers

All officers have completed CPR; First Responder and Defibrillator classes conducted by Sergeant Edward Guzowski and have also completed in-house training, uniform and weapons inspections and training films conducted by the Bellingham Auxiliary training officers. All officers have recently completed firearm qualification and safety classes conducted by Sergeant Richard Perry and Peter Lemon of the Bellingham Police department, assisted by the Auxiliary training staff.

I am pleased to announce that Auxiliary officers Steven Daigle and Thomas Marston have graduated from the Reserve/Intermittent class in West Boylston, MA.

The following service and appreciation awards were presented at the Bellingham Auxiliary Annual Holiday Party from the Bellingham Selectmen, House of Representatives and Senate:

Chief Eugene Bartlett	40 years of service
Deputy Chief James Eames	40 years of service
Lt. Joseph Matkowski	30 years of service
Lt. Steven Schreffler	20 years of service
Officer Dana Lovejoy	10 years of service

Officer of the Year award	Chief Eugene Bartlett
Car 54 award	Patrolman Steven Daigle

Awards were also presented to Bellingham Police Chief Gerald Daigle, Sergeants Peter Lemon, Richard Perry and Edward Guzowski.

In closing, I would like to thank the following individuals for their generous support and assistance they have given to the Bellingham Auxiliary police department: Town Administrator Denis Fraine, The Board of Selectmen, Jacqueline, Catherine, Janet, Marianne, Grace, the Bellingham Town's people, Sergeant Richard Perry (liaison/arms instructor), Sergeant Peter Lemon (assistant arms instructor) and Bellingham Police Chief Gerald Daigle. Their support is greatly noted and appreciated by the Auxiliary Police department.

Sincerely,



Chief Eugene F. Bartlett



BELLINGHAM AUXILIARY POLICE

45 Newland Avenue
Bellingham MA 02019
508-883-4158

CHIEF

Eugene F. Bartlett

DEPUTY CHIEF

Jim Eames

Chief:	Eugene F. Bartlett	
Deputy Chief:	James Eames	Vehicle Maintenance/Training Officer
Captain:	Earle Vater	Communication, Self-defense Training, Radio Officer
1 st Lt:	G. Steven Schreffler	Secretary, Assistant Training Officer
2 nd Lt:	Joseph Matkowski	Supply, Assistant Training Officer, Assistant Range Officer
Sergeants:	John Kauker Thomas Kierstead Ronald Mason	Treasurer, Training Officer, Sector Sergeant Assistant Training Coordinator, Sector Sergeant Cruiser, Church Coordinator, Sector Sergeant
Patrol Officers:	Fred Savoie Jr. Michael Sabourin Dana Lovejoy Mark Duquette Robert Dickinson Craig Riolo Steven Daigle Thomas Marston John Sexton	

Board of Health

Annual Report 2008

In 2008 the Board of Health continued its efforts to protect and promote good health throughout the community. The three-member board, by setting objectives and continually monitoring its progress, fully utilized the skills, knowledge, and hard work of the full-time Board of Health personnel and contractors in carrying out its duties and achieving its overall goals.

The three member board was formed in late March 2008. The membership consisted of Chairman Vincent A. Forte, Jr. who was re-appointed to a 5th three-year term, Vice Chairman Guy Fleurette who was appointed to fill the last year of a 3-year term, and member Louise Arnold who was appointed to fill 2-years of a three year term.

In March the Board interviewed a slate of candidates applying for the position of “clerk to the Board of Health”. Ms. Kelly McGovern was appointed to the position and assumed her duties on April 2008.

The full-time Health Agent, Michael Graf, was re-appointed to his tenth year as an annual appointment. He has continued to serve the Board throughout the year, conducting inspections, enforcing health regulations and most importantly, working closely with the local business and residents to train and educate them in the areas of food safety, sanitation, minimum housing requirements, and various other applicable regulations.

The full time Board of Health Clerk, Laura Renaud, has continued to be indispensable to the Bellingham Board of health by managing all the administrative functions of the department. In addition to her administrative duties, Ms. Renaud has been responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Community Septic Management Program (CSMP) for the Board of Health as well. This program, offered by the State, has allowed the BOH to make low interest loans (at a 2% rate over 20 years) to homeowners for the purpose of repairing failed septic systems. To date, through the CSMP, the BOH has loaned \$225, 768.75 to Bellingham homeowners. She has also been trained to administer the mini-grants for BOH Youth Access Tobacco Compliance Program in Bellingham.

The adopted a new strategy in the way it manages its functions/operations by choosing to select specific goals/tasks in April for the new year. Our goals included (1)Health Agent position, the role of our health agent, review process for the job functions; (2) the board at request of the general public and other boards changed its meeting to a different night to allow televising of the meetings on local cable access. (3) develop a process for performance evaluations; (4) food fee structure inspections/costs; (5) meeting minutes format and meeting agendas.

In its effort to provide the highest quality healthcare to Bellingham residents, the BOH once again selected the Visiting Nurse Service of Greater Woonsocket (VNSGW) to perform certain health/medical care, maintenance and reporting services. These services are provided by VNSGW with no direct cost to any Bellingham resident.

The Board of Health continued to work with the Norfolk Mosquito Control Program to promote spraying and other mosquito control measures throughout Bellingham. Emphasis was placed on spring larvicide (BTI) treatments, which are non-toxic and more effective because this targets mosquitoes at their immature non-biting stage in uninhabited wetlands. In 2008 a common virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis (Triple E) began to appear in other neighboring Massachusetts counties. The progress of this virus and other mosquito borne illnesses were closely monitored by the Bellingham Board of Health in conjunction with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Food Safety has always been a priority for the Bellingham Board of Health. In 2008, the BOH maintained its efforts to insure the safest handling of food within Bellingham restaurants and supermarkets. To insure this level of quality control, the BOH utilized its full time agent and continued to fund its two independent food service inspectors from the food safety revolving fund. The Board continued to monitor its ambitious inspection schedule that corresponds to the Federal Food Code and revised the food service permit fee structure. The new fee structure is an across the board reduction in the fee system that charges a fair and adequate fee to establishments that are required by law to have more than one inspection. This system is designed to raise funds to cover the cost of the food service inspectors hired by the BOH; and the program is intended to be self-supporting for at least the next five years.

In 2008, the BOH passed a no latex use bylaw for all food service personnel involved in the process and preparation of food in Bellingham establishments. All of these efforts will protect consumers, prevent latex allergic reactions from food, and improve the ability of the BOH to improve local public health as well as keep up with growth that has and continues to take place in the Town of Bellingham.

In its commitment to prevent youth access to smoking products, the Board of Health has revamped and adopted new regulations on the sale of tobacco products to our children. It has partnered with a DPH's Massachusetts Tobacco Control Program which is funded through tobacco companies settlements and fees on these tobacco products. These funds allow for several mini –grants per year to be awarded to participating communities such as Bellingham to conduct tobacco compliance checks in the Town.

Finally, recognizing the potential for major public health emergencies the Bellingham Board of Health has been made significant efforts to prepare a response for any health crisis. Board of Health members and staff have participated in various training programs associated with public health emergency preparedness. The three-member board attended and received MAHB certification training in November 2008. The BOH has been working with other Bellingham town officials and departments in drafting its public health emergency plans and emergency dispensing sites. Moreover, the BOH will partner with neighboring communities by signing mutual agreements for assistance in major health/safety issues in coming months.

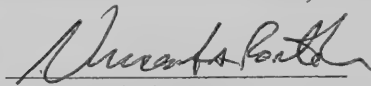
Permits for 2008
Total Fees Collected \$ 54,885.00

36 Retail Food Permits	2 Tanning Establishment Permits
54 Food Establishments Permits	1 Campground
2 Mobile Food Permits	4 Outdoor Wood Boilers
8 Temporary Food Permits	1 Motel Permit
27 Tobacco Vendor Permits	2 Semi-Public Pool Permit
46 Disposal Works Installer Permits	2 Burial Agent Permits
53 Repaired Septic Systems	2 Well Permits
8 New Septic Systems	3 Syringe Permits
21 Septage Haulers Permits	2 Rubbish Hauler Permits
1 Residential Kitchen	
63 Soil Tests Witnessed	87 Septic Construction Inspections
Total Number of Restaurants Inspected 140	
Total amount of Septic Permits Issued 61	
Total amounts of complaint investigations 119	

Bellingham Board of Health

Respectfully,

Vincent A. Forte, Jr.


 Chairman

Guy A. Fleurette


 Vice Chairman

Louise A. Arnold


 Member

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

Office of the BOARD OF REGISTRARS

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10 Mechanic Street
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Report of the Board of Registrars for 2008

The Board of Registrars accepted the resignation of Gordon Curtis, with regret. Other members include Republican Dr. Mary Ambler, Democrats Bruce W. Lord and Ann L. Odabashian. Town Clerk, Mrs. Odabashian also serves as Clerk to the Board.

Voter Registration sessions were held as required by law for all town meetings and town elections throughout the year. A breakdown of voters, by party and party affiliation as of December 31, 2007 as follows:

Green Rainbow,						
Pct.#	Democrat	Libertarian	etc.	Republican	Unenrolled	Total
1	581	4	6	294	1268	2153
2	512	8	3	242	1118	1883
3	617	6	3	281	1267	2174
4	597	6	2	356	1408	2369
5	733	7	5	223	1038	2006

TOTALS

3040	31	19	1396	6099	10,585
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We again wish to remind residents of some of the laws they should be aware of regarding voter registration.

When voters move from one street address to another within the town they are required to file a written change of address notice with the Board of Registrars. This can be done in the Town Clerk's office or you may have a form sent to your home.

Minors who will become 18 years of age prior to any election or town meeting, may register to vote before the final day of voter registration, even though they are not eighteen years of age on the date of registration.

New residents may register to vote on their first day of residence in Bellingham and become immediately eligible to vote at all subsequent elections and town meetings, provided the registration is prior to the deadline for that particular election or meeting.

Mail-in voter registration forms are available at the Registry of Motor Vehicles, the Bellingham Public Library, the Bellingham Post Office or by calling the Town Clerk's office at 508-657-2830 and an application will be sent through the mail. You may also e-mail the Town Clerk at aodabashian@bellinghamma.org and an application will be mailed.

ANNUAL TOWN CENSUS

The Board of Registrars conducted the Annual Town Census in January and mailed 6,358 census forms – one to each household in Town. The Town's population as of January 1, 2008 was certified as 15,787. This was an increase of 73 residents over the 2007 total of 15,714.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

The Town experienced a record voter turn out for the Presidential Election. The number of voters were 8,413, this was an increase of 531 over the 7,882 voters from the 2004 Presidential Election. We want to take this time to thank all of the poll wardens and the Poll workers for a job well done on that very busy election day.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots are available for all elections throughout the year for registered voters who will be unable to vote at the polls on election day due to:

- ☐ being absent from the Town of Bellingham during the normal polling hours; or
- ☐ physical disability preventing them from going to the polling place; or
- ☐ religious belief

TO RECEIVE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT THROUGH THE MAIL:

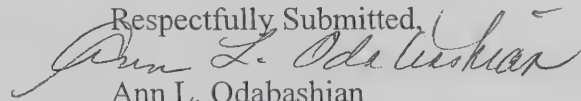
- ☐ Call the Town Clerk's Office at 508-657-2830; fax a request to: 508-657-2832 or e-mail aodabashian@bellinghamma.org and an application will be sent to you.
- ☐ Send a written letter requesting a ballot be mailed to you and where to mail the ballot.
- ☐ Come into the office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours and vote by absentee ballot in person.

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS in the Bellingham Municipal Center are:

Mondays	8:30 AM until 7:00 PM
Tuesday through Thursday	8:30 AM until 4:30 PM
Fridays	8:30 AM until 1:00 PM

State laws mandate the deadline for voting by absentee ballot is 12 noon the day before the election.

In closing, the board wishes to thank Assistant Town Clerk Florence MacLaughlin for her assistance to the board and the citizens of Bellingham during this election year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann L. Odabashian
Clerk, Board of Registrars



Town of Bellingham

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

10 Mechanic Street

Bellingham, Massachusetts 02019

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The year 2008 may very well go down in history as the start of the greatest economic downturn since the great depression. Like every organization, private or public, our community has been forced to rethink the way we operate in order to meet the fiscal constraints of these times. The need to provide clear, strong leadership has never been more critical and I am confident the Board of Selectmen, along with all of our employees and officials, will work together to guide Bellingham through these tumultuous times.

In spite of the failing economy, Bellingham continues to see signs of prosperity. Over the past year, the Best Buy Corporation selected our community to site their 260,000 square foot distribution center. Many communities were considered by this developer, however, Bellingham was selected in part because of our geographic location as well as our experience in siting similar projects fairly and expeditiously. This project is well underway and expected to be completed this June. Also approved this past year was a 500,000 sq. ft. sports complex which includes nine ballfields. Each of these projects were carefully reviewed by Town agencies and ultimately approved by the Planning Board. We wish these new enterprises great success and anticipate many jobs and real estate taxes will be generated as a result of their creation.

Roadway projects continued to be a top priority for the Town even during this difficult economy. Many small projects were completed this past year and the Town is optimistic the \$12,000,000 reconstruction of Pulaski Boulevard will be funded by the State during the upcoming year. This project was first proposed twelve years ago and will provide many long awaited improvements to this heavily traveled corridor.

During 2009, many of us will be working with the Master Plan Steering Committee. This group was appointed by the Planning Board and is required to update the Town Master Plan every ten

years. Many of our Town officials are participating in this process and we look forward to the successful completion. The last Master Plan was completed in 1998 and identified the need for a new high school, municipal center, Town Center traffic improvements and several other initiatives which have been realized over the last ten years.

As is the case each year, 2008 brought changes to several Town offices. Town Counsel Lee Ambler served this community with distinction for over four decades. We thank him for his honorable service and wish him good health and great success. Ron Picard was first elected to the Board of Selectmen in 2001 and participated in many projects over the past seven years. Ron left his mark on many environmental projects, particularly those involving water resource protection.

The Town of Bellingham was first incorporated in 1719 and over the past 300 years, the citizens of this community have persevered through many difficult times. We are proud of our community's history and the men and women who have called Bellingham home over the past generations. We are confident that, in spite of these tumultuous events our Country is encountering, the citizens of Bellingham will continue to persevere and look forward to brighter days in the year ahead.

Lloyd W. Goodnow, Jr., Chair

Dawn M. Davies, Vice Chair

Richard J. Martinelli

Mary E. Chaves

Jerald A. Mayhew



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

TOWN HALL ANNEX

4 Mechanic Street

Bellingham, Massachusetts 02019

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Report of the Chief Financial Officer

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61, of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit the annual report of the Chief Financial Officer for the fiscal year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

The Treasurer-Collector's cash was examined and found to be in balance. An audit of fiscal 2008 was performed and the results were publicly presented to the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee. The audit results from fiscal 2008 are included in this report. This information is available in the office of the Town Clerk and also on our web site, www.bellinghamma.org.

Various financial reports are included in my annual report and cover all departments under the direction of the Finance Office including the Treasurer-Collector, Accounting, Assessors and Management Information Systems. All accounts are maintained under the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) as promulgated by the state of Massachusetts and the Deputy Commissioner of Revenue. The method of accounting used is a cash basis/modified accrual fund basis that brings the town's accounting methods more closely into a GAAP basis of accounting that is used nationally. We implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board (G.A.S.B.) Statement No. 34 in fiscal 2003 as mandated and are in our fifth year of full compliance with all audit requirements. This presents a completely new format of reporting for all municipalities in the country. This new presentation of financial information was first reflected in the fiscal 2003 financial statements and continues in this annual report.

We have implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board (G.A.S.B.) Statement No. 45 in fiscal 2008. This statement mandates that all cities and towns perform periodic actuarial valuations to determine annual accounting costs for any benefit that is provided after retirement, except for pension benefits. The Town's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of G.A.S.B. No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or

funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The ARC for the Town is \$2,751,799.00.

Fiscal 2008 was a fairly successful year for the town of Bellingham in spite of a weakened economy. We have again pursued delinquent taxes aggressively. This contributed to our overall financial health. Continued financial management and planning are of utmost importance. The Financial Office continues to maintain a conservative approach to both revenue forecasting and expense budgeting. We continue to strive to provide the citizens of Bellingham with high quality, low cost services. Our web site is constantly undergoing improvements in order to provide citizens with current information from their desktops.

Many challenges lie in the months and years ahead. All communities in the state are feeling the economic decline; the Commonwealth is grappling with severe budget deficits and decreasing revenues. Careful financial management will insure that all services continue to be provided at reasonable cost to the citizens of Bellingham. We must maintain our financial "health" and fiscal prudence. The Finance Department strives to provide "oversight" for all financial assets of the town. We will be actively pursuing any and all measures to conserve revenues while streamlining proceeds used to provide service to the town of Bellingham and it's citizenry.

As part of our commitment to maintaining accountability and financial transparency, the Board of Selectmen requested the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services, to review all financial practices of the town of Bellingham in Fiscal 2007. The report is available as a link on the towns' web site, www.bellinghamma.org.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the office of the Town Administrator and the Finance Committee for their continued support. Also, I would like to thank all town departments for their cooperation, as their support has been vital.

Respectfully submitted,



Marilyn A. Mathieu

Chief Financial Officer/MIS Director

YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURE REPORT

Town of Bellingham
Expenditure Summary

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008					
Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance % Used
0100 TRASH-OPERATING FUND					
430 Solid Waste Collection/Disposal					
0100-430-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	24,000.00	.00	.00	21,338.40	2,661.60 88.91
0100-430-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,460,500.00	.00	.00	1,435,564.37	24,935.63 98.29
Total 430 Solid Waste Collection/Disposal	1,484,500.00	.00	.00	1,456,902.77	27,597.23 98.14
Total 0100 TRASH-OPERATING FUND	1,484,500.00	.00	.00	1,456,902.77	27,597.23 98.14
0200 WATER-OPERATING					
450 WATER- OPERATING					
0200-450-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	600,002.00	(15,000.00)	.00	577,778.87	7,223.13 98.77
0200-450-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,081,620.00	15,000.00	.00	1,094,756.02	1,863.98 99.83
Total 450 WATER- OPERATING	1,681,622.00	.00	.00	1,672,534.89	9,087.11 99.46
907 FISCAL 2003-ARTICLES	.00	32,947.16	.00	.00	32,947.16 .00
Total 907 FISCAL 2003-ARTICLES	.00	32,947.16	.00	.00	32,947.16 .00
909 FISCAL 2005 - ARTICLES	.00	118,472.00	.00	.00	118,472.00 .00
Total 909 FISCAL 2005 - ARTICLES	.00	118,472.00	.00	.00	118,472.00 .00
910 FISCAL 2006 - ARTICLES	.00	159,747.77	.00	109,424.96	50,322.81 68.50
Total 910 FISCAL 2006 - ARTICLES	.00	159,747.77	.00	109,424.96	50,322.81 68.50
911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	.00	40,056.23	.00	16,846.14	23,210.09 42.06
Total 911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	.00	40,056.23	.00	16,846.14	23,210.09 42.06
912 FISCAL 2008 ARTICLES	.00	1,220,000.00	.00	693,500.29	526,499.71 56.84
Total 912 FISCAL 2008 ARTICLES	.00	1,220,000.00	.00	693,500.29	526,499.71 56.84
Total 0200 WATER-OPERATING	1,681,622.00	1,571,223.16	.00	2,492,306.28	760,538.88 76.62

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
Total 460 SEWER - OPERATING	655,698.00	.00	.00	591,587.97	64,110.03	90.22
911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	.00	4,992.50	.00	.00	4,992.50	.00
Total 911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	.00	4,992.50	.00	.00	4,992.50	.00
912 FISCAL 2008 ARTICLES	.00	10,840.91	.00	10,840.91	.00	100.00
Total 912 FISCAL 2008 ARTICLES	.00	10,840.91	.00	10,840.91	.00	100.00
950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	44,260.00	.00	44,260.00	.00	100.00
Total 950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	44,260.00	.00	44,260.00	.00	100.00
Total 0300 SEWER-OPERATING FUND	655,698.00	60,093.41	.00	646,688.88	69,102.53	90.35
1000 General Fund						
114 TOWN MEETING MODERATOR	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00
1000-114-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00
Total 114 TOWN MEETING MODERATOR	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00
122 SELECTMEN	6,000.00	.00	.00	5,633.12	366.88	93.89
1000-122-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	6,000.00	.00	.00	5,633.12	366.88	93.89
1000-122-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	51,998.00	.00	.00	51,997.99	.01	100.00
1000-122-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	36,701.00	25,000.00	.00	52,344.78	9,356.22	84.84
Total 122 SELECTMEN	94,699.00	25,000.00	.00	109,975.89	9,723.11	91.88
123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	149,709.00	.00	.00	149,301.95	407.05	99.73
1000-123-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES/CLERICAL SUPPORT	149,709.00	.00	.00	149,301.95	407.05	99.73
1000-123-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	7,700.00	.00	.00	6,012.19	1,687.81	78.08
Total 123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	157,409.00	.00	.00	155,314.14	2,094.86	98.67
131 FINANCE COMMITTEE	2,780.00	.00	.00	2,780.00	.00	100.00
1000-131-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	2,780.00	.00	.00	2,780.00	.00	100.00
1000-131-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	2,295.00	.00	.00	1,142.43	1,152.57	49.78
Total 131 FINANCE COMMITTEE	5,075.00	.00	.00	3,922.43	1,152.57	77.29
132 RESERVE FUND	100,000.00	.00	.00	.00	100,000.00	.00
1000-132-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	100,000.00	.00	.00	.00	100,000.00	.00
Total 132 RESERVE FUND	100,000.00	.00	.00	.00	100,000.00	.00

Town of Bellingham
Expenditure Summary

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008					
Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance % Used
135 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER					
1000-135-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	206,069.00	.00	.00	204,408.24	1,660.76 99.19
1000-135-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	46,100.00	.00	.00	45,671.70	428.30 99.07
Total 135 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	252,169.00	.00	.00	250,079.94	2,089.06 99.17
137 ASSESSORS					
1000-137-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD SALARY	3,600.00	.00	.00	3,600.00	.00 100.00
1000-137-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	98,180.00	7,500.00	.00	92,466.88	13,213.12 87.50
1000-137-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	13,725.00	.00	.00	12,217.54	1,507.46 89.02
Total 137 ASSESSORS	115,505.00	7,500.00	.00	108,284.42	14,720.58 88.03
138 TREASURER					
1000-138-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	70,687.00	2,157.00	.00	72,843.15	.85 100.00
1000-138-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	25,225.00	(2,157.00)	.00	14,856.33	8,211.67 64.40
Total 138 TREASURER	95,912.00	.00	.00	87,699.48	8,212.52 91.44
139 TOWN COLLECTOR					
1000-139-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	134,026.00	.00	.00	132,062.88	1,963.12 98.54
1000-139-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	83,100.00	.00	.00	82,081.55	1,018.45 98.77
Total 139 TOWN COLLECTOR	217,126.00	.00	.00	214,144.43	2,981.57 98.63
151 TOWN COUNSEL					
1000-151-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	85,000.00	.00	.00	85,000.00	.00 100.00
Total 151 TOWN COUNSEL	85,000.00	.00	.00	85,000.00	.00 100.00
154 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM					
1000-154-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	65,554.00	.00	.00	65,554.00	.00 100.00
1000-154-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	155,085.00	6,500.00	.00	152,235.28	9,349.72 94.21
Total 154 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM	220,639.00	6,500.00	.00	217,789.28	9,349.72 95.88
156 TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE					
1000-156-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	10,000.00	.00	.00	10,000.00	.00 100.00
Total 156 TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	10,000.00	.00	.00	10,000.00	.00 100.00
161 TOWN CLERK					
1000-161-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED SALARY	61,104.00	.00	.00	60,400.38	703.62 98.85
1000-161-0000-001-00-00-51000 SALARIES	40,604.00	2,575.00	.00	40,649.44	2,529.56 94.14
1000-161-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	4,615.00	.00	.00	4,473.05	141.95 96.92
Total 161 TOWN CLERK	106,323.00	2,575.00	.00	105,522.87	3,375.13 96.90

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Town of Bellingham
Expenditure Summary

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
193 PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE						
1000-193-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	230,000.00	.00	.00	274,156.03	15,843.97	94.54
Total 193 PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	230,000.00	.00	.00	274,156.03	15,843.97	94.54
194 RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT						
1000-194-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1,407,883.00	.00	.00	1,402,912.00	4,971.00	99.65
Total 194 RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT	1,407,883.00	.00	.00	1,402,912.00	4,971.00	99.65
195 MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE						
1000-195-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	320,000.00	.00	.00	297,494.58	22,505.42	92.97
Total 195 MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE	320,000.00	.00	.00	297,494.58	22,505.42	92.97
196 TOWN REPORTS						
1000-196-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	3,000.00	.00	.00	1,342.50	1,657.50	44.75
Total 196 TOWN REPORTS	3,000.00	.00	.00	1,342.50	1,657.50	44.75
197 PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH						
1000-197-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	32,000.00	.00	.00	28,001.24	3,998.76	87.50
Total 197 PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	32,000.00	.00	.00	28,001.24	3,998.76	87.50
198 INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE						
1000-198-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	7,000.00	.00	.00	6,594.75	405.25	94.21
Total 198 INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE	7,000.00	.00	.00	6,594.75	405.25	94.21
199 DAMAGES TO PERSONS/PROPERTY						
1000-199-0000-001-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	1.00	.00	.00	.00	1.00	.00
Total 199 DAMAGES TO PERSONS/PROPERTY	1.00	.00	.00	.00	1.00	.00
210 POLICE DEPARTMENT						
1000-210-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	2,358,774.00	.00	.00	2,286,827.33	71,946.67	96.95
1000-210-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	141,900.00	.00	.00	138,955.24	2,944.76	97.92
Total 210 POLICE DEPARTMENT	2,500,674.00	.00	.00	2,425,782.57	74,891.43	97.01
220 FIRE DEPARTMENT						
1000-220-0000-002-00-00-51000 SALARIES	1,522,762.00	.00	.00	1,498,171.30	24,590.70	98.39
1000-220-0000-002-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	90,200.00	.00	.00	89,152.02	1,047.98	98.84
Total 220 FIRE DEPARTMENT	1,612,962.00	.00	.00	1,587,323.32	25,638.68	98.41

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Town of Bellingham
Expenditure Summary

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
303 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION						
1000-303-3300-00-00-52000 TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES SUMMARY	1,400,000.00	84,000.00	.00	1,482,888.86	1,111.14	99.93
Total 303 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION	1,400,000.00	84,000.00	.00	1,482,888.86	1,111.14	99.93
421 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION						
1000-421-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	93,101.00	.00	.00	90,649.88	2,451.12	97.37
1000-421-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	22,200.00	.00	.00	22,200.00	.00	100.00
Total 421 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION	115,301.00	.00	.00	112,849.88	2,451.12	97.87
422 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINT						
1000-422-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	454,112.00	(14,000.00)	.00	440,112.00	.00	100.00
1000-422-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	264,200.00	13,800.90	.00	276,867.92	1,132.98	99.59
Total 422 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINT	718,312.00	(199.10)	.00	716,979.92	1,132.98	99.84
423 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL						
1000-423-0000-004-00-00-51000 SALARIES	20,000.00	.00	.00	105,660.89	(85,660.89)	528.30
1000-423-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	80,000.00	485,000.00	.00	481,591.74	83,408.26	85.24
Total 423 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL	100,000.00	485,000.00	.00	587,252.63	(2,252.63)	100.39
424 STREET LIGHTING						
1000-424-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	135,000.00	25,000.00	.00	153,723.27	6,276.73	96.08
Total 424 STREET LIGHTING	135,000.00	25,000.00	.00	153,723.27	6,276.73	96.08
425 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE						
1000-425-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	72,000.00	.00	.00	71,973.79	26.21	99.96
Total 425 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	72,000.00	.00	.00	71,973.79	26.21	99.96
426 GAS AND OIL						
1000-426-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	164,000.00	.00	.00	161,836.18	2,163.82	98.68
Total 426 GAS AND OIL	164,000.00	.00	.00	161,836.18	2,163.82	98.68
433 SOLID WASTE						
1000-433-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	2,000.00	.00	.00	1,324.03	675.97	66.20
Total 433 SOLID WASTE	2,000.00	.00	.00	1,324.03	675.97	66.20
439 SANITARY LANDFILL						
1000-439-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	5,000.00	.00	.00	2,633.80	2,366.20	52.68
Total 439 SANITARY LANDFILL	5,000.00	.00	.00	2,633.80	2,366.20	52.68

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
1000-491-0000-004-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	6,300.00	.00	.00	6,270.76	29.24	99.54
Total 491 CEMETERY DEPARTMENT	9,900.00	.00	.00	9,870.76	29.24	99.70
510 BOARD OF HEALTH						
1000-510-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	3,000.00	.00	.00	2,825.00	175.00	94.17
1000-510-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	88,794.00	.00	.00	88,392.65	401.35	99.55
1000-510-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	19,046.00	(100.00)	.00	13,405.82	5,534.18	70.78
1000-510-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES						
Total 510 BOARD OF HEALTH	110,834.00	(100.00)	.00	104,623.47	6,110.53	94.48
541 COUNCIL ON AGING						
1000-541-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	110,843.00	.00	.00	110,843.00	.00	100.00
1000-541-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	23,307.00	.00	.00	23,284.75	22.25	99.90
Total 541 COUNCIL ON AGING	134,150.00	.00	.00	134,127.75	22.25	99.98
543 VETERANS SERVICES						
1000-543-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	3,000.00	.00	.00	3,000.00	.00	100.00
1000-543-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	19,250.00	2,000.00	.00	21,250.00	.00	100.00
Total 543 VETERANS SERVICES	22,250.00	2,000.00	.00	24,250.00	.00	100.00
549 VETERANS GRAVE AGENT						
1000-549-0000-005-00-00-51000 SALARIES	600.00	.00	.00	.00	600.00	.00
1000-549-0000-005-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	250.00	.00	.00	.00	250.00	.00
Total 549 VETERANS GRAVE AGENT	850.00	.00	.00	.00	850.00	.00
610 LIBRARY						
1000-610-0000-000-00-00-51180 ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD	600.00	.00	.00	600.00	.00	100.00
1000-610-0000-006-00-00-51000 SALARIES	279,693.00	3,500.00	.00	282,280.34	912.66	99.68
1000-610-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	176,200.00	(3,500.00)	.00	172,694.44	5.56	100.00
Total 610 LIBRARY	456,493.00	.00	.00	455,574.78	918.22	99.80
630 PARKS AND RECREATION						
1000-630-0000-000-00-00-51180 APPOINTED SALARIES	3,050.00	.00	.00	3,050.00	.00	100.00
1000-630-0000-006-00-00-51000 SALARIES	47,500.00	.00	.00	43,900.86	3,599.14	92.42
1000-630-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	52,028.00	.00	.00	52,028.00	.00	100.00
Total 630 PARKS AND RECREATION	102,578.00	.00	.00	98,978.86	3,599.14	96.49
650 HISTORICAL COMMISSION						
1000-650-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	5,500.00	.00	.00	5,499.59	.41	99.99
Total 650 HISTORICAL COMMISSION	5,500.00	.00	.00	5,499.59	.41	99.99
651 CULTURAL COUNCIL						
1000-651-0000-006-00-00-51000 SALARIES	7,500.00	.00	.00	7,500.00	.00	100.00

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
Total 651 CULTURAL COUNCIL	7,500.00	.00	.00	7,500.00	.00	100.00
660 MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS						
1000-660-0000-006-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	12,000.00	.00	.00	11,904.04	95.96	99.20
Total 660 MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS	12,000.00	.00	.00	11,904.04	95.96	99.20
710 DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT						
1000-710-0000-007-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	3,235,197.00	(55,753.96)	.00	3,089,543.32	89,899.72	97.17
Total 710 DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT	3,235,197.00	(55,753.96)	.00	3,089,543.32	89,899.72	97.17
715 DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST ON BONDS						
1000-715-0000-007-00-00-52000 EXPENSES	2,189,803.00	.00	.00	2,185,693.15	4,109.85	99.81
Total 715 DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST ON BONDS	2,189,803.00	.00	.00	2,185,693.15	4,109.85	99.81
800 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS						
Total 800 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	.00	734,142.00	.00	824,031.00	(89,889.00)	112.24
911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES						
Total 911 FISCAL 2007 ARTICLES	.00	734,142.00	.00	824,031.00	(89,889.00)	112.24
912 FISCAL 2008 ARTICLES						
Total 912 FISCAL 2008 ARTICLES	384,502.00	1,565,555.79	.00	992,371.31	957,686.48	50.89
921 BROUGHT FORWARD ARTICLES						
Total 921 BROUGHT FORWARD ARTICLES	(8,000.00)	1,124,133.36	.00	365,061.83	751,071.53	32.71
950 ENCUMBRANCES						
Total 950 ENCUMBRANCES	.00	344,151.65	.00	32,968.24	311,183.41	9.58
991 TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST						
1000-991-0000-009-00-00-59000 INTERFUND TRANSFERS	75,000.00	.00	.00	75,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 991 TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST	75,000.00	.00	.00	75,000.00	.00	100.00

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Account Number and Description	Appropriations	Transfers and Supplementals	Encumbrances	Expenditures	Remaining Balance	% Used
Total 992 TRANSFER TO GROUP INS TRUST	5,000,000.00	125,000.00	.00	5,125,000.00	.00	100.00
Total 1000 General Fund	43,615,515.00	4,434,754.28	.00	45,610,241.27	2,440,028.01	94.92
Accounts : 1,285	47,437,335.00	6,066,070.85	.00	50,206,139.20	3,297,266.65	93.84
**** Grand Total ****						

==== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: E
FY: 2008 to 2008
Fund: 0100 to 1000
Account Sub Type: CP

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND REPORT

This report details all Special Revenue Funds that the town of Bellingham maintains throughout the year by type:

Fund 200-299	School Grant Funds
Fund 300-399	School/Town Capital Project Funds
Fund 400-499	Town Grant Funds
Fund 500-599	School Revolving and/or Gift Funds
Fund 600-699	Town Revolving and/or Gift Funds
Fund 700-799	Trust Funds
Fund 800-899	School/Town Agency Funds

Please note that the balances reported are Fund Balances: therefore, a negative fund balance indicates a positive balance remaining.

Town of Bellingham
Special Revenue Fund Report

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
2020 SCHOOL LUNCH							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-20,039.09	1,680.73			-18,358.36		-18,358.36
42920 SCHOOL LUNCH-RECEIPTS			569,625.52				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			160,943.33				
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				181,058.42			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				108,422.24			
51190 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE				569.95			
51192 SCHOOL DEPT. SUBSTITUTES				13,230.00			
51450 SCHOOL DEPT. CUSTODIANS				2,420.61			
51500 OVERTIME WAGES				118,508.30			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				308,040.06			
54161 SCHOOL LUNCH SUPPLIES							
Total 2020 SCHOOL LUNCH	-20,039.09	1,680.73	730,568.85	732,249.58	-18,358.36		-18,358.36
2030 N C SHERIFF'S DARE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-41.11				-41.11		-41.11
Total 2030 N C SHERIFF'S DARE GRANT	-41.11				-41.11		-41.11
2040 SCHOOL CHOICE, REC TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-116,223.00	-165,379.37			-281,602.37		-281,602.37
43209 SCHOOL CHOICE TUITION			241,338.00	75,958.63			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS							
Total 2040 SCHOOL CHOICE, REC TUITION	-116,223.00	-165,379.37	241,338.00	75,958.63	-281,602.37		-281,602.37
2050 CPC (E.C.CH188)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			92,857.94				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				25,084.35			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				54,176.05			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				2,950.00			
52080 TRANSFER TO STATE AGENCY-DOE				9,851.50			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				181.50			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				614.54			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2050 CPC (E.C.CH188)			92,857.94	92,857.94			
2060 SPED EARLY CHILD GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	7,301.50	-7,301.50					
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			7,301.50				
Total 2060 SPED EARLY CHILD GRANT	7,301.50	-7,301.50	7,301.50				
2090 CIRCUIT BREAKER FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-87,831.00	87,831.00					
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			285,714.00				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				373,545.00			

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 2090 CIRCUIT BREAKER FUND	-87,831.00	87,831.00	285,714.00	373,545.00			
2100 SPED 94-142 ALLOC							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				352,489.40			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			638,142.00	141,940.17			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				30,301.00			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				85,052.00			
52270 PENSION IN GRANTS 9%				7,811.49			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				5,339.17			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				15,208.77			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2100 SPED 94-142 ALLOC			638,142.00	638,142.00			
2250 DRUG FREE SCHOOLS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				2,130.54			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE			6,444.00	3,650.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				663.46			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2250 DRUG FREE SCHOOLS			6,444.00	6,444.00			
2290 SPED COLLABORATIVE, ALT HIGH							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				3,045.96			
42410 TUITION - SPED COLLABORATIVE				371,698.83			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				85,413.92			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				39,943.44			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				5,175.00			
51450 SCHOOL DEPT CUSTODIANS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 2290 SPED COLLABORATIVE, ALT HIGH	-83,566.19	4,635.65	500,641.50	505,277.15	-78,930.54		-78,930.54
2300 SPECIAL EDUCATION TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS							
Total 2300 SPECIAL EDUCATION TUITION	-61,175.85				-61,175.85		-61,175.85
2310 EARLY CHILDHOOD TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
42411 TUITION - EARLY CHILDHOOD							
51192 SCHOOL DEPT. SUBSTITUTES							
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED							
Total 2310 EARLY CHILDHOOD TUITION	-93,402.38	-56,694.50	270,010.11	195.78	-150,096.88		-150,096.88

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Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				563.28			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES				600.24			
Total 2310 EARLY CHILDHOOD TUITION	-93,402.38	-56,694.50	270,010.11	213,315.61	-150,096.88		-150,096.88
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2440 TITLE I	13,442.20	-13,442.20	21,674.00	7,513.50			
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				418.30			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				300.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS							
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 2440 TITLE I	13,442.20	-13,442.20	21,674.00	8,231.80			
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2450 TITLE I			85,170.00	58,812.55			
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				2,105.90			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				4,100.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				7,150.00			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				4,729.58			
52270 PENSION IN GRANTS 9%							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL							
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				8,271.97			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2450 TITLE I			85,170.00	85,170.00			
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2480 BRIDGEWATER STATE COLLEGE GRANTS			1,477.02	750.00			
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				727.02			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2480 BRIDGEWATER STATE COLLEGE GRANTS			1,477.02	1,477.02			
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2500 TITLE V (FORMERLY TITLE VI)			1,574.00	983.00			
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				400.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				191.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2500 TITLE V (FORMERLY TITLE VI)			1,574.00	1,574.00			
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2550 HEALTH EDUCATION GRANT							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
Total 2550 HEALTH EDUCATION GRANT							

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
2620 SPED EARLY CHILDHOOD- FY 2008							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			28,504.00	22,000.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				1,980.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				1,874.32			
52270 PENSION IN GRANTS 9%				2,649.68			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2620 SPED EARLY CHILDHOOD- FY 2008			28,504.00	28,504.00			
2690 SPED PROG IMPROVE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			15,592.00	6,453.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				8,668.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				471.00			
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2690 SPED PROG IMPROVE GRANT			15,592.00	15,592.00			
2880 ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			16,100.00	1,250.00			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				14,547.11			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				302.89			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2880 ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES			16,100.00	16,100.00			
2900 TITLE II, PART A: IMPRV ED QUAL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	25,247.00	-25,247.00	25,247.00				
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE							
Total 2900 TITLE II, PART A: IMPRV ED QUAL	25,247.00	-25,247.00	25,247.00				
2910 TITLE II D, ENHANC ED/TECH FRM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			1,271.00	600.00			
43100 FED REV PASS THRU STATE				500.00			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				171.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2910 TITLE II D, ENHANC ED/TECH FRM			1,271.00	1,271.00			
2930 TITLE II A GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
52520 IN-STATE TRAVEL				4,973.93			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES				4,178.42			
Total 2930 TITLE II A GRANT			51,012.00	51,012.00			
2940 ACADEMIC SUMMER SUPPORT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			3,350.00	300.00			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				2,868.75			
51210 SCHOOL DEPT ADMIN-CERTIFIED				181.25			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2940 ACADEMIC SUMMER SUPPORT			3,350.00	3,350.00			
2950 BIOTEACH GRANT-LIFE SCI CAREER DEV							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-290.18			-290.18		-290.18
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			3,500.00	2,089.25			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				1,120.57			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2950 BIOTEACH GRANT-LIFE SCI CAREER DEV		-290.18	3,500.00	3,209.82	-290.18		-290.18
2960 DOUG FLUTIE JR FOUNDATION FOR AUTISM, IN							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-18,322.89			-18,322.89		-18,322.89
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			20,000.00	1,065.75			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				611.36			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 2960 DOUG FLUTIE JR FOUNDATION FOR AUTISM, IN		-18,322.89	20,000.00	1,677.11	-18,322.89		-18,322.89
*** Grand Total ***	-416,287.92	-192,530.26	3,047,488.92	2,854,958.66	-608,818.18		-608,818.18

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Account Type: FER
FY: 2008 to 2008
Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2007 to 30-Jun-2008
Fund: 2020 to 2960
Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
3010 SEWER PROJECT-PHASE I & II							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-96,647.08				-96,647.08		-96,647.08
Total 3010 SEWER PROJECT-PHASE I & II	-96,647.08				-96,647.08		-96,647.08
3030 SEWER-PHASE III							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-20,460.44				-20,460.44		-20,460.44
Total 3030 SEWER-PHASE III	-20,460.44				-20,460.44		-20,460.44
3040 SRF/PH III SEWER EXPANSION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	26,937.32				26,937.32		26,937.32
Total 3040 SRF/PH III SEWER EXPANSION	26,937.32				26,937.32		26,937.32
3080 PHASE 3 SEWER PLANNING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-38,182.02				-38,182.02		-38,182.02
Total 3080 PHASE 3 SEWER PLANNING	-38,182.02				-38,182.02		-38,182.02
3090 WELL SITE ID/GENERATOR SPECS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,105.94				-6,105.94		-6,105.94
Total 3090 WELL SITE ID/GENERATOR SPECS	-6,105.94				-6,105.94		-6,105.94
3160 ROAD BOND (2005) 1.2 MILLION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-137,307.78	137,307.78		137,307.78			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3160 ROAD BOND (2005) 1.2 MILLION	-137,307.78	137,307.78		137,307.78			
3230 WELL # 12 ENG/LAND (FY 1995)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-54,557.78				-54,557.78		-54,557.78
Total 3230 WELL # 12 ENG/LAND (FY 1995)	-54,557.78				-54,557.78		-54,557.78
3350 DEPOT STREET BRIDGE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,981.41				-3,981.41		-3,981.41
Total 3350 DEPOT STREET BRIDGE	-3,981.41				-3,981.41		-3,981.41
3400 BOX POND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-9,623.05				-9,623.05		-9,623.05
Total 3400 BOX POND	-9,623.05				-9,623.05		-9,623.05

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 3550 TOWN COMPUTER LEASE	-20,364.28				-20,364.28		-20,364.28
3640 MAPLE ST SEWER EXTENSION(1998)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-295.16				-295.16		-295.16
Total 3640 MAPLE ST SEWER EXTENSION(1998)	-295.16				-295.16		-295.16
3650 TITLE V SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-18,946.76	-43,523.46	159,972.20	116,448.74	-62,470.22		-62,470.22
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3650 TITLE V SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM	-18,946.76	-43,523.46	159,972.20	116,448.74	-62,470.22		-62,470.22
3760 PULASKI SEWER- ART 22 \$500K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	495,826.81	-495,826.81	500,000.00	4,173.19			
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3760 PULASKI SEWER- ART 22 \$500K	495,826.81	-495,826.81	500,000.00	4,173.19			
3770 PULASKI (2006) ART 18 400K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	216,309.37	-216,309.37	400,000.00				
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 3770 PULASKI (2006) ART 18 400K	216,309.37	-216,309.37	400,000.00	183,690.63			
3780 FIRE PUMPER (2007) 400K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-6,769.42	400,000.00		-6,769.42		-6,769.42
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS							
58510 CAPITAL OUTLAY-EQUIPMENT							
Total 3780 FIRE PUMPER (2007) 400K		-6,769.42	400,000.00	393,230.58	-6,769.42		-6,769.42
3790 PULASKI BLVD IMPROVE(2007)370K							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	155,175.13	-284,582.26	370,000.00	85,417.74	-129,407.13		-129,407.13
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 3790 PULASKI BLVD IMPROVE(2007)370K	155,175.13	-284,582.26	370,000.00	85,417.74	-129,407.13		-129,407.13
3800 KEOUGH ROOF REPLACEMENT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-193,000.00	193,000.00		-193,000.00		-193,000.00
49100 PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF BONDS							
Total 3800 KEOUGH ROOF REPLACEMENT		-193,000.00	193,000.00		-193,000.00		-193,000.00

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
*** Grand Total ***	487,776.93	-1,102,703.54	2,022,972.20	920,268.66	-614,926.61		-614,926.61

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Account Type: FER
 FY: 2008 to 2008
 Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2007 to 30-Jun-2008
 Fund: 3010 to 3801
 Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
4010 FORMULA GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-363.00	363.00	13,475.00	3,936.50			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				9,901.50			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4010 FORMULA GRANT	-363.00	363.00	13,475.00	13,838.00			
4020 LIBR, LIGMEG-SVCTECH-MATCH GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-48,782.55	6,785.93	21,975.40		-41,996.62		-41,996.62
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			117.34				
43305 OTHER STATE REV - LIBR MATCH				9,319.83			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				2,869.51			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				1,500.00			
52505 SEMINARS/TRAINING				5,719.08			
54085 TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT				9,470.25			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4020 LIBR, LIGMEG-SVCTECH-MATCH GRT	-48,782.55	6,785.93	22,092.74	28,878.67	-41,996.62		-41,996.62
4030 ELECTIONS-EXTENDED POLLING HRS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		1.87	1,280.00		1.87		1.87
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				1,281.87			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4030 ELECTIONS-EXTENDED POLLING HRS		1.87	1,280.00	1,281.87	1.87		1.87
4050 TOBACCO CNTRL/BOH ALERT NTRK							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,968.33	-7,737.97			-20,706.30		-20,706.30
43301 STATE REV - TOBACCO COMPLIANCE			1,330.00				
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			7,400.00				
52425 TOBACCO COMPLIANCE EXPENSES				992.03			
Total 4050 TOBACCO CNTRL/BOH ALERT NTRK	-12,968.33	-7,737.97	8,730.00	992.03	-20,706.30		-20,706.30
4060 LAW ENFORCEMENT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	.90	-1,797.50	10,730.00		-1,796.60		-1,796.60
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				8,932.50			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4060 LAW ENFORCEMENT	.90	-1,797.50	10,730.00	8,932.50	-1,796.60		-1,796.60
4080 CULTURAL COUNCIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,914.63	1,620.05			-24,294.58		-24,294.58
42001 FEES			138.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			4,700.00				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			866.47				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				7,324.52			

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Total 4080 CULTURAL COUNCIL	-25,914.63	1,620.05	5,704.47	7,324.52	-24,294.58		-24,294.58
4090 CDBG RECAPTURE FUNDS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	3,542.04	-3,542.04					
Total 4090 CDBG RECAPTURE FUNDS	3,542.04	-3,542.04					
4100 CDBG PROGRAM INCOME							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-48,118.80	-1,996.98			-50,115.78		-50,115.78
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			785.31				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			41,496.50				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				14,759.05			
59021 TRANSFER TO COMMUNITY DEV FUND				25,525.78			
Total 4100 CDBG PROGRAM INCOME	-48,118.80	-1,996.98	42,281.81	40,284.83	-50,115.78		-50,115.78
4110 CARYVILLE MILL SR HSE EARMARK							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-100,000.00			-100,000.00		-100,000.00
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			100,000.00				
Total 4110 CARYVILLE MILL SR HSE EARMARK		-100,000.00	100,000.00		-100,000.00		-100,000.00
4130 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-16,995.77	112,741.78			95,746.01		95,746.01
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			165,953.03	278,694.81			
58620 CAPITAL OUTLAY - #50729 (2008)							
Total 4130 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND	-16,995.77	112,741.78	165,953.03	278,694.81	95,746.01		95,746.01
4140 BULLET PROOF VESTS-STATE GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-14,898.05				-14,898.05		-14,898.05
Total 4140 BULLET PROOF VESTS-STATE GRANT	-14,898.05				-14,898.05		-14,898.05
4170 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-10,359.40	-5,331.44	18,024.00		-15,690.84		-15,690.84
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				12,420.31			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				272.25			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4170 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT	-10,359.40	-5,331.44	18,024.00	12,692.56	-15,690.84		-15,690.84
4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,107.17	-244.86			-3,352.03		-3,352.03
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE			4,700.00				
Total 4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT	-3,107.17	-244.86	4,700.00		-3,352.03		-3,352.03

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 4180 FIRE S.A.F.E. GRANT	-3,107.17	-244.86	4,700.00	4,455.14	-3,352.03		-3,352.03
4190 SATURN POLICE PUBL SAF EQPT GR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,440.61	862.07		862.07	-2,578.54		-2,578.54
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4190 SATURN POLICE PUBL SAF EQPT GR	-3,440.61	862.07		862.07	-2,578.54		-2,578.54
4200 POLICE '97 BLOCK GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-54.91				-54.91		-54.91
Total 4200 POLICE '97 BLOCK GRANT	-54.91				-54.91		-54.91
4210 COMMUNITY SEPTIC MGMT PROGRAM							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-9,095.31	5,446.36		5,388.61	-3,648.95		-3,648.95
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				57.75			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4210 COMMUNITY SEPTIC MGMT PROGRAM	-9,095.31	5,446.36		5,446.36	-3,648.95		-3,648.95
4220 COA SVC INCENTIVE GR'97							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			1,800.00				
43305 OTHER STATE REV - LIBR MATCH				1,800.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4220 COA SVC INCENTIVE GR'97			1,800.00	1,800.00			
4230 COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRT/R R F							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	48,271.26	-48,271.26					
43324 MSCDBG-HOUSING 2005 GRANT			118,000.00				
49701 TRANSFER FROM SPECIAL REV FD			21,983.74				
51110 DEPARTMENT HEAD SALARY				1,100.00			
51120 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL SAL				9,625.00			
51121 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL							
51148 HOUSING REHAB SPECIALIST				14,200.00			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS				3,991.50			
58903 CAPITAL OUTLAY-CDBG LOANS				62,795.98			
Total 4230 COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRT/R R F	48,271.26	-48,271.26	139,983.74	91,712.48			
4240 LEPC (LEMA) GRANT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			500.00				
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE				500.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4240 LEPC (LEMA) GRANT			500.00	500.00			
4250 COPS MORE F/Y 99 FED GRT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,829.42				-1,829.42		-1,829.42

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 4250 COPS MORE F/Y 99 FED GRT	-1,829.42				-1,829.42		-1,829.42
4270 SILVER LK DAM REPAIR D.E.M. GR 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-25,187.15				-25,187.15		-25,187.15
Total 4270 SILVER LK DAM REPAIR D.E.M. GR	-25,187.15				-25,187.15		-25,187.15
4310 FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQ PROG GRT 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE 52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	-3,350.00	3,350.00		3,350.00			
Total 4310 FIREFIGHTER SAFETY EQ PROG GRT	-3,350.00	3,350.00		3,350.00			
4320 TREE FOR ALL DEM FORESTRY GRT 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,363.82				-3,363.82		-3,363.82
Total 4320 TREE FOR ALL DEM FORESTRY GRT	-3,363.82				-3,363.82		-3,363.82
4350 ALL HAZARDS EOP GRANT (MEMA) 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-156.65				-156.65		-156.65
Total 4350 ALL HAZARDS EOP GRANT (MEMA)	-156.65				-156.65		-156.65
4390 SMART GROWTH TECH ASSIST GRT 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE 43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE 52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	21,530.00	-21,529.30	26,222.27	4,692.97	.70		.70
Total 4390 SMART GROWTH TECH ASSIST GRT	21,530.00	-21,529.30	26,222.27	4,692.97	.70		.70
4400 OLD TOWN HALL RESTORATION GRTS 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE 43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE 51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES 52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	-56,184.83	56,184.83	3,500.00	5,469.64 7,208.95 47,006.24			
Total 4400 OLD TOWN HALL RESTORATION GRTS	-56,184.83	56,184.83	3,500.00	59,684.83			
4410 PEARL ST MILL DHCD GRANT 35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE 43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE	3,928.75	-3,697.30	3,697.30		231.45		231.45
Total 4410 PEARL ST MILL DHCD GRANT	3,928.75	-3,697.30	3,697.30		231.45		231.45

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
Total 4420 REGION 2 PUBLIC HLTH EMERG PREPAREDNESS		-10,799.00	11,182.44	383.44	-10,799.00		-10,799.00
4430 LIBRARY TWEENS & TEENS GRANT		-8,322.45			-8,322.45		-8,322.45
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			10,000.00	1,677.55			
43300 OTHER STATE REVENUE							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 4430 LIBRARY TWEENS & TEENS GRANT		-8,322.45	10,000.00	1,677.55	-8,322.45		-8,322.45
4440 POLICE-STATEWIDE EMERG TELECOM BOARD GRT		2,249.14		1,819.30	2,249.14		2,249.14
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				429.84			
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 4440 POLICE-STATEWIDE EMERG TELECOM BOARD GRT		2,249.14		2,249.14	2,249.14		2,249.14
*** Grand Total ***	-206,897.45	-23,665.07	589,856.80	569,733.77	-230,562.52		-230,562.52

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Account Type: FER
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Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2007 to 30-Jun-2008
Fund: 4010 to 4440
Account Sub Type: CP

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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5010 CABLE CLUB GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			2,251.00	2,251.00			
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			2,251.00	2,251.00			
Total 5010 CABLE CLUB GIFT							
5020 ALTERNATIVE PRINTING					-25,702.18		-25,702.18
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,597.69	-13,104.49	42,481.88	10,000.00			
42001 FEES				10,631.68			
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				8,745.71			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 5020 ALTERNATIVE PRINTING	-12,597.69	-13,104.49	42,481.88	29,377.39	-25,702.18		-25,702.18
5060 SUMMER SCHOOL TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-23,587.13	-4,913.77	57,436.00	27,325.00	-28,500.90		-28,500.90
42405 TUITION - FULL TIME				2,271.40			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				1,147.80			
51430 SCHOOL DEPT LIBRARY PERSONNEL				18,454.50			
51450 SCHOOL DEPT CUSTODIANS				130.00			
51480 SCHOOL DEPT MISCELLANEOUS				3,193.53			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 5060 SUMMER SCHOOL TUITION	-23,587.13	-4,913.77	57,436.00	52,522.23	-28,500.90		-28,500.90
5100 ATHLETIC REVOLVING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,656.89	-27,575.94	100,879.00	11,686.20	-40,232.83		-40,232.83
42001 FEES				21,249.50			
52090 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION				40,367.36			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 5100 ATHLETIC REVOLVING	-12,656.89	-27,575.94	100,879.00	73,303.06	-40,232.83		-40,232.83
5110 TEACHER INCENTIVE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-32,291.59	-38,176.39	1,476.39		-70,467.98		-70,467.98
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			60,000.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND							
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				23,300.00			
Total 5110 TEACHER INCENTIVE	-32,291.59	-38,176.39	61,476.39	23,300.00	-70,467.98		-70,467.98

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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52240 EQUIP MAINT COSTS/CONTRACTS				100.00			
Total 5120 SCHOOL RENTAL MAINTENANCE	-26,251.01	17,256.54	34,312.66	51,569.20	-8,994.47		-8,994.47
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5160 KINDERGARTEN TUITION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-181,346.47	25,742.89	159,895.00		-155,603.58		-155,603.58
42405 TUITION - FULL TIME				183,347.89			
51260 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHERS				2,290.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 5160 KINDERGARTEN TUITION	-181,346.47	25,742.89	159,895.00	185,637.89	-155,603.58		-155,603.58
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5170 L.S.D.O. TUITIONS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-22,717.55	5,764.07	16,935.00		-16,953.48		-16,953.48
42412 TUITION - L.S.D.O.			95.71				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT				1,825.00			
51230 SCHOOL DEPT OFFICE PERSONNEL				15,036.72			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				5,933.06			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 5170 L.S.D.O. TUITIONS	-22,717.55	5,764.07	17,030.71	22,794.78	-16,953.48		-16,953.48
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5180 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-543.85				-543.85		-543.85
Total 5180 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS	-543.85				-543.85		-543.85
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5200 FRAN NEWTON SCHOLARSHIP							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-5,049.97	49.97		-5,049.97		-5,049.97
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			5,000.00				
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
Total 5200 FRAN NEWTON SCHOLARSHIP		-5,049.97	5,049.97		-5,049.97		-5,049.97
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*** Grand Total ***	-311,992.18	-40,057.06	480,812.61	440,755.55	-352,049.24		-352,049.24

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Account Type: FER
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Trx. Date: 01-Jul-2007 to 30-Jun-2008
Fund: 5010 to 5200
Account Sub Type: CP

Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
6010 RESTITUTION RECOVERY							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,607.43	-1,949.00	1,949.00		-8,556.43		-8,556.43
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 6010 RESTITUTION RECOVERY	-6,607.43	-1,949.00	1,949.00		-8,556.43		-8,556.43
6020 INSURANCE RECOVERY <\$20,000.00							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-27,779.20	-16,342.90	26,865.90	10,523.00	-44,122.10		-44,122.10
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6020 INSURANCE RECOVERY <\$20,000.00	-27,779.20	-16,342.90	26,865.90	10,523.00	-44,122.10		-44,122.10
6030 SALE OF LAND OF LOW VALUE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,571.83				-4,571.83		-4,571.83
Total 6030 SALE OF LAND OF LOW VALUE	-4,571.83				-4,571.83		-4,571.83
6040 SALE OF REAL ESTATE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-181,600.60	181,500.00		181,500.00	-100.60		-100.60
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6040 SALE OF REAL ESTATE	-181,600.60	181,500.00		181,500.00	-100.60		-100.60
6050 SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-16,465.00	13,515.00	2,800.00		-2,950.00		-2,950.00
42001 FEES							
Total 6050 SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	-16,465.00	13,515.00	2,800.00		-2,950.00		-2,950.00
6070 ARCADND SWIM PROG-CH 53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,060.50	-1,837.00	5,470.00	3,633.00	-2,897.50		-2,897.50
42001 FEES							
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
Total 6070 ARCADND SWIM PROG-CH 53 E 1/2	-1,060.50	-1,837.00	5,470.00	3,633.00	-2,897.50		-2,897.50
6080 WETLANDS PROTECTION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-64,413.45	-8,025.00	9,625.00	1,600.00	-72,438.45		-72,438.45
42001 FEES							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6080 WETLANDS PROTECTION	-64,413.45	-8,025.00	9,625.00	1,600.00	-72,438.45		-72,438.45
6090 FIRE PREVENTION GIFT ACCOUNT							
					-3,449.83		-3,449.83

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Total 6090 FIRE PREVENTION GIFT ACCOUNT	-2,976.97	-472.91	1,150.00	677.09	-3,449.88		-3,449.88
6100 FIRE-RESCUE GIFT ACCOUNT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,372.24				-2,372.24		-2,372.24
Total 6100 FIRE-RESCUE GIFT ACCOUNT	-2,372.24				-2,372.24		-2,372.24
6110 TOWN RENTAL PROPERTY							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-28,470.93	16,391.32	1,100.00		-12,079.61		-12,079.61
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			5,290.00				
48421 RENTAL - 23 PEARL ST KAR KARE				6,000.00			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				16,781.32			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6110 TOWN RENTAL PROPERTY	-28,470.93	16,391.32	6,390.00	22,781.32	-12,079.61		-12,079.61
6120 SILVER LAKE ADM FEE-CH 53 E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-.08				-.08		-.08
Total 6120 SILVER LAKE ADM FEE-CH 53 E1/2	-.08				-.08		-.08
6130 COMPOST BINS-CHAP 53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-715.00	-100.00	100.00		-815.00		-815.00
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 6130 COMPOST BINS-CHAP 53 E 1/2	-715.00	-100.00	100.00		-815.00		-815.00
6140 POLICE MOTOR CYCLE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-200.00				-200.00		-200.00
Total 6140 POLICE MOTOR CYCLE GIFT FUND	-200.00				-200.00		-200.00
6150 DPW GRAVE OPENINGS CH 53E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,386.55	-1,413.79	2,400.00		-2,800.34		-2,800.34
42001 FEES				686.21			
51130 PERMANENT PERSONNEL SALARIES				300.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6150 DPW GRAVE OPENINGS CH 53E 1/2	-1,386.55	-1,413.79	2,400.00	986.21	-2,800.34		-2,800.34
6160 COA-G.A.T.R.A.							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-40,076.51	5,891.73		-40,076.51		-40,076.51
42001 FEES			49,364.18				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				9,579.51			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				4,809.89			
51141 PART-TIME PERSONNEL							
Total 6160 COA-G.A.T.R.A.		-40,076.51	55,255.91	14,389.40	-40,076.51		-40,076.51

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6180 COA GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-7,701.18	1,810.78	3,743.00		-5,890.40		-5,890.40
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				5,553.78			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6180 COA GIFT FUND	-7,701.18	1,810.78	3,743.00	5,553.78	-5,890.40		-5,890.40
6200 POLICE-DARE GIFT ACCOUNT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-11,039.87	-2,751.30	6,335.06		-13,791.17		-13,791.17
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				3,583.76			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6200 POLICE-DARE GIFT ACCOUNT	-11,039.87	-2,751.30	6,335.06	3,583.76	-13,791.17		-13,791.17
6210 BOH FOOD INSPECTIONS CH 53E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-28,473.75	-32,663.00	39,742.00		-61,136.75		-61,136.75
42001 FEES				7,079.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6210 BOH FOOD INSPECTIONS CH 53E1/2	-28,473.75	-32,663.00	39,742.00	7,079.00	-61,136.75		-61,136.75
6220 100TH ANNIVERSARY BOOK GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-294.60				-294.60		-294.60
42001 FEES							
Total 6220 100TH ANNIVERSARY BOOK GIFT	-294.60				-294.60		-294.60
6230 PARKS/MACY RECREATION GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-500.00				-500.00		-500.00
Total 6230 PARKS/MACY RECREATION GIFT	-500.00				-500.00		-500.00
6240 BELL PLAYGROUND ASSOC GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-17,993.67	-63,205.09	106,500.35		-81,198.76		-81,198.76
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				43,569.17			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6240 BELL PLAYGROUND ASSOC GIFTS	-17,993.67	-63,205.09	106,500.35	43,569.17	-81,198.76		-81,198.76
6250 POLICE K-9 & FIRING RANGE GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-15,917.87	1,704.30	800.00		-14,213.57		-14,213.57
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				2,504.30			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6250 POLICE K-9 & FIRING RANGE GIFT	-15,917.87	1,704.30	800.00	2,504.30	-14,213.57		-14,213.57

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54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				668.65			
Total 6260 POLICE VEHICLE REVOLVING		-941.35	1,610.00	668.65	-941.35		-941.35
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6270 WATER/SEWER GIFT ACCOUNT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,677.10				-4,677.10		-4,677.10
Total 6270 WATER/SEWER GIFT ACCOUNT	-4,677.10				-4,677.10		-4,677.10
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6280 UPPER TOWN HALL GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE			162,613.05	162,613.05			
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6280 UPPER TOWN HALL GIFT			162,613.05	162,613.05			
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6290 HAZARDOUS WASTE GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-300.00				-300.00		-300.00
Total 6290 HAZARDOUS WASTE GIFT	-300.00				-300.00		-300.00
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6310 HISTORICAL COMM GIFT CH53 E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-2,493.53	381.52	145.00	526.52	-2,112.01		-2,112.01
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6310 HISTORICAL COMM GIFT CH53 E1/2	-2,493.53	381.52	145.00	526.52	-2,112.01		-2,112.01
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6320 LIBRARY-FINE REVOLVING CH53E							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-6,769.92	-2,548.02	14,567.25	12,019.23	-9,317.94		-9,317.94
42001 FEES							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6320 LIBRARY-FINE REVOLVING CH53E	-6,769.92	-2,548.02	14,567.25	12,019.23	-9,317.94		-9,317.94
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6330 PARKS-SUMMER PROG CH 53E1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-116.89				-116.89		-116.89
Total 6330 PARKS-SUMMER PROG CH 53E1/2	-116.89				-116.89		-116.89
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6340 COA-SOCIAL DAYCARE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-15,434.33	-2,423.07	61,460.50	35,170.05	-17,857.40		-17,857.40
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				23,867.38			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6340 COA-SOCIAL DAYCARE	-15,434.33	-2,423.07	61,460.50	59,037.43	-17,857.40		-17,857.40
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6350 COA, HALL RENTAL/FUEL ASSISTNC							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-300.34	300.34					

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48319 COA FUEL ASSISTANCE GIFTS			156.00	456.34			
52319 COA FUEL ASSISTANCE							
Total 6350 COA, HALL RENTAL/FUEL ASSISTNC	-300.34	300.34	156.00	456.34			
6360 NORMA ROGERS MEMORIAL GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-38.07				-38.07		-38.07
Total 6360 NORMA ROGERS MEMORIAL GIFT	-38.07				-38.07		-38.07
6370 LIBRARY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-129.54				-129.54		-129.54
Total 6370 LIBRARY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND	-129.54				-129.54		-129.54
6380 CEMETERY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-610.96	589.47	19.33		-21.49		-21.49
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 6380 CEMETERY EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND	-610.96	589.47	19.33		-21.49		-21.49
6390 AMBULANCE-RECEIPTS RESERVED							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-336,134.64	95,056.00	274,944.00	370,000.00	-241,078.64		-241,078.64
42250 AMBULANCE RECEIPTS							
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6390 AMBULANCE-RECEIPTS RESERVED	-336,134.64	95,056.00	274,944.00	370,000.00	-241,078.64		-241,078.64
6400 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4.30	669.00	626.00		664.70		664.70
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				1,295.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6400 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST	-4.30	669.00	626.00	1,295.00	664.70		664.70
6410 POLICE/AUX POLICE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,644.42	-1,230.68	1,000.00		-2,875.10		-2,875.10
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			250.00				
48350 AUXILIARY POLICE-MARATHON ASSISTANCE				19.32			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6410 POLICE/AUX POLICE GIFT FUND	-1,644.42	-1,230.68	1,250.00	19.32	-2,875.10		-2,875.10
6440 BIKE PATROL GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-225.03				-225.03		-225.03
Total 6440 BIKE PATROL GIFTS	-225.03				-225.03		-225.03

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48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			500.00	4,596.10			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6450 TOWN COMMON GIFTS	-9,156.41	4,096.10	500.00	4,596.10	-5,060.31		-5,060.31
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6460 TOWN COMMON BUY A BRICK							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-110.00	110.00		-110.00		-110.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS							
Total 6460 TOWN COMMON BUY A BRICK		-110.00	110.00		-110.00		-110.00
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6480 PLANNING BOARD REVOLVING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-22,279.49	18,755.56	6,167.42		-3,523.93		-3,523.93
42161 PLANNING BD ADVERTISING FEES			42,028.12				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				3,047.30			
52010 ADVERTISING				3,088.18			
52011 PLAN BD APPLIC ADVERTISING EXP				60,815.62			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 6480 PLANNING BOARD REVOLVING	-22,279.49	18,755.56	48,195.54	66,951.10	-3,523.93		-3,523.93
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6500 MACY SCHOOL GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6500 MACY SCHOOL GIFT FUND							
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6510 TOWN COMMON MAINT CH53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-18,811.22	-6,541.46	20,850.00		-25,352.68		-25,352.68
42001 FEES			150.00				
42006 USER FEE-TOWN COM (REFUNDABLE)				3,826.00			
51140 PART-TIME PERSONNEL SALARIES				50.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				10,560.55			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6510 TOWN COMMON MAINT CH53 E 1/2	-18,811.22	-6,541.46	21,000.00	14,436.55	-25,352.68		-25,352.68
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6520 ELDERLY RECREATION GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-16,157.02	1,323.74	21,861.36		-14,833.28		-14,833.28
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			7,925.00				
48314 NEW SENIOR CENTER GIFTS			35,826.30				
48315 COA TRIP RECEIPTS				61,900.41			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				4,340.99			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				695.00			
54605 COA TRIP EXPENSES							
Total 6520 ELDERLY RECREATION GIFT FUND	-16,157.02	1,323.74	65,612.66	66,936.40	-14,833.28		-14,833.28
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6540 NEXTEL GIFT FUND CH53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-35,293.34	-27,390.01			-62,683.35		-62,683.35

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48007 MISC REIMBURSEMENTS			1,800.00				
48021 T-MOBILE OPTION PAYMENT			100.00				
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			58,071.27				
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				32,581.26			
Total 6540 NEXTEL GIFT FUND CH53 E 1/2	-35,293.34	-27,390.01	59,971.27	32,581.26	-62,683.35		-62,683.35
6550 4TH OF JULY GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE							
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS	-9,301.68	-11,776.07	41,826.07		-21,077.75		-21,077.75
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				27,550.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES				2,500.00			
Total 6550 4TH OF JULY GIFT FUND	-9,301.68	-11,776.07	41,826.07	30,050.00	-21,077.75		-21,077.75
6560 NEW H.S. FENCE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	21.99	-21.99					
Total 6560 NEW H.S. FENCE GIFT FUND	21.99	-21.99					
6570 VETERANS MEMORIAL GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	52.24				52.24		52.24
Total 6570 VETERANS MEMORIAL GIFT FUND	52.24				52.24		52.24
6580 TOWN ENGINEERING SERVICES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-189,487.21	17,783.26					
48466 CONSV-LAKEVIEW EST DRAIN REVW			7,000.00				
48515 W S (SHOP@BELL)TRAFFIC REVIEW			10,000.00				
48525 BROOKFIELD ESTATES ENGINEERING			3,800.00				
48526 BELLINGHAM COMMONS II - FIRE			2,000.00				
48527 ADVANCE AUTO ENGINEERING REVW			4,300.00				
48529 CALARESE ENGINEERING REVIEW			3,500.00				
48531 CALARESE TRAFFIC REVIEW			6,000.00				
48532 CEDAR HILL SUBDV ENGINEERING			5,000.00				
48533 DWYER BUSINESS PARK ENGINEERING			3,750.00				
48534 DWYER BUSINESS PARK TRAFFIC			5,600.00				
48535 W/S SHOPPES-CONSERVATION DRAIN			25,000.00				
48536 CHARLES RVR CTR STRMWTR SYST RESTORE			7,500.00				
48537 W/S SHOPPES FISCAL PEER REVIEW			29,500.00				
48538 STALLBROOK BUSINESS PARK ENG PEER REV			4,000.00				
48539 CRANBERRY MEADOWS TRAFFIC REVIEW			500.00				
48540 WALGREENS-CROOKS CORNER TRAFFIC REVIE			8,000.00				
48541 WALGREENS-CROOKS CORNER ENGINEERING R			5,250.00				
48542 CRANBERRY MEADOWS ENGINEERING REVIEW			3,500.00				
48543 LIG SOCCER FIELDS TRAFFIC			500.00				
48544 LIG SOCCER FIELDS ENGINEERING			5,000.00				
Total 6580 TOWN ENGINEERING SERVICES	-189,487.21	17,783.26			-171,703.95		-171,703.95

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48550 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE REVIEW							
52452 R K PLAZA ENGINEERING REVIEW				517.83			
52454 WALGREENS-ENGINEERING REVIEW				7.50			
52456 WILLIAM WAY SERVICES							
52459 LORUSSO FIRE PROTECTION INSP							
52460 RK PLAZA TRAF SIG CONSTR INSP				24.00			
52462 COLONIAL ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52464 SHORES @ SILVER LAKE III ENGR				353.15			
52465 CONROY DEV (MECH ST) ENGR EXP				6,105.40			
52466 CONSV-LAKEVIEW EST DRAIN REVW							
52467 CONNORS ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52468 PIERCE ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52469 J P I ENGINEERING							
52471 LORUSSO TRAFFIC REVIEW EXPENSE							
52473 CVS @ CROOKS CORNER TRAF STUDY							
52474 BEVILACQUA PAVING ENGR REVIEW							
52475 MAPLE ST INDUSTRIAL PARK							
52476 DUNKIN DONUTS DISTR CTR TRAFF							
52477 DUNKIN DONUTS DISTR CTR ENGNG							
52479 VOLTA OIL TRAFFIC REVIEW							
52481 VOLTA OIL FUTURE TRAF IMPROVEM				1,032.00			
52485 PINE ACRES ENGINEERING REVIEW				5.00			
52486 TOLL BROS TRAFFIC SIGNAL MITIG				.07			
52487 ISAAC CUMMINGS PEER REVIEW							
52489 HUNTER DEV ENGINEERING REVIEW				1.25			
52490 DUNKIN DONUTS DEPOT ST PAVING							
52491 DUNKIN DONUTS NEIGH MITIGATION							
52494 GRAY WOLF ENG PEER REVIEW EXP				6.25			
52497 VAN LUMBER ENGINEERING PEER RV				2.21			
52499 MAPLE ST BUSINESS CTR-ENGR REV							
52501 ETHAN ALLEN DISTR CTR FIRE PRO				72.50			
52504 WALGREENS-FIRE PROTECTION				500.00			
52511 GODDARD SCHOOL FIRE PROTECTION							
52514 BLACKSTONE STR ENGINEERING							
52515 W S (SHOP@BELL)TRAFFIC REVIEW				21,269.75			
52517 S MAPLE/MECHANIC TRAF MITIGATN				61,000.00			
52521 W S (SHOP@BELL) ENGINEERING RV				7,246.50			
52522 CRYSTAL SPRING-PH3 ENGINEERING							
52523 MARTYS AUTO ENGINEERING							
52524 MARIEAR LLC FIRE PROTECTION				1,140.00			
52525 BROOKFIELD ESTATES ENGINEERING							
52526 BELLINGHAM COMMONS II - FIRE				3,000.00			
52527 ADVANCE AUTO ENGINEERING REVW				3,500.00			
52529 CALARESE ENGINEERING REVIEW				6,000.00			
52531 CALARESE TRAFFIC REVIEW				5,000.00			
52532 CEDAR HILL SUBDIVISION ENG				3,060.00			
52533 DWYER BUSINESS PARK ENGINEERING				4,480.00			
52534 DWYER BUSINESS PARK TRAFFIC				19,018.79			
52535 W/S SHOPPES-CONSERVATION DRAINAGE REV				6,849.30			
52536 CHARLES RVR CTR STRMWTR SYSTEM RESTOR							

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52537 W/S SHOPPES FISCAL PEER REVIEW				3,401.76			
52538 STALLBROOK BUSINESS PARK ENG PEER REV				3,500.00			
52539 CRANBERRY MEADOWS TRAFFIC REVIEW				500.00			
52540 WALGREENS-CROOKS CORNER TRAFFIC REVIE				7,520.00			
52541 WALGREENS-CROOKS CORNER ENGINEERING R				3,750.00			
52542 CRANBERRY MEADOWS ENGINEERING REVIEW				2,012.50			
52543 LIG SOCCER FIELDS TRAFFIC				500.00			
52544 LIG SOCCER FIELDS ENGINEERING				4,707.50			
52545 BOB'S DISC FURNITURE FIRE REVIEW							
52546 MX365-MOTO CROSS ARENA ENGINEERING				500.00			
52548 BEST BUY (DEPOT ST) TRAFFIC PEER REVI							
52550 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE REVIEW							
Total 6580 TOWN ENGINEERING SERVICES	-189,487.21	17,783.26	158,800.00	176,583.26	-171,703.95		-171,703.95
6600 DPW SEWER EXTENTION INSPECTION							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,320.41				-4,320.41		-4,320.41
Total 6600 DPW SEWER EXTENTION INSPECTION	-4,320.41				-4,320.41		-4,320.41
6620 CROOKS CORNER COMMON GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,000.00				-1,000.00		-1,000.00
Total 6620 CROOKS CORNER COMMON GIFT FUND	-1,000.00				-1,000.00		-1,000.00
6630 USSL FUND (SCHOOL)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE		-8,936.40	8,936.40		-8,936.40		-8,936.40
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		-8,936.40	8,936.40		-8,936.40		-8,936.40
Total 6630 USSL FUND (SCHOOL)							
6640 ANP-WATER/WASTE WATER GIFT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-12,997.78				-12,997.78		-12,997.78
Total 6640 ANP-WATER/WASTE WATER GIFT	-12,997.78				-12,997.78		-12,997.78
6650 Receipts Reserved-Title V Bett							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-264,248.17	-41,648.38	28,635.13		-305,896.55		-305,896.55
42073 Title V Betterment			33,552.25				
42093 Title V Betterment Paid In Adv				20,559.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 6650 Receipts Reserved-Title V Bett	-264,248.17	-41,648.38	62,187.38	20,559.00	-305,896.55		-305,896.55
6660 DPW RESIDENT WATER METERS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-724.00				-724.00		-724.00

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6680 ANP-CRWA MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,036.17				-4,036.17		-4,036.17
Total 6680 ANP-CRWA MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING	-4,036.17				-4,036.17		-4,036.17
6690 ARCAND SWIM PROGRAM GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-500.00				-500.00		-500.00
Total 6690 ARCAND SWIM PROGRAM GIFT FUND	-500.00				-500.00		-500.00
6700 LIBRARY GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,841.42	1,204.72	370.00		-2,636.70		-2,636.70
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS			325.86				
48326 LIBRARY CD ANTITRUST LITIG STTLMT				1,574.72			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6700 LIBRARY GIFT FUND	-3,841.42	1,204.72	695.86	1,574.72	-2,636.70		-2,636.70
6710 CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-363,534.97	-15,211.18	15,211.18		-378,746.15		-378,746.15
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 6710 CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND	-363,534.97	-15,211.18	15,211.18		-378,746.15		-378,746.15
6720 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY GIFTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-100.00	100.00					
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6720 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY GIFTS	-100.00	100.00					
6730 COMM ON DISABILITY CH53 E 1/2							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-795.59	19.48		119.48	-776.11		-776.11
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6730 COMM ON DISABILITY CH53 E 1/2	-795.59	19.48		119.48	-776.11		-776.11
6740 ZBA SPECIAL PERMIT FEES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	239.75	-1,070.40	2,893.20		-830.65		-830.65
42001 FEES				1,414.50			
52010 ADVERTISING				368.80			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				39.50			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6740 ZBA SPECIAL PERMIT FEES	239.75	-1,070.40	2,893.20	1,822.80	-830.65		-830.65
6760 SKATE PARK GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-140.00				-140.00		-140.00
Total 6760 SKATE PARK GIFT FUND	-140.00				-140.00		-140.00

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6770 CEMETERY MAINTENANCE GIFT FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,300.00	-150.00	3,440.00		-1,450.00		-1,450.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				1,990.00			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 6770 CEMETERY MAINTENANCE GIFT FUND	-1,300.00	-150.00	3,440.00	1,990.00	-1,450.00		-1,450.00
6790 BELLINGHAM CPC ENHANCEMENT FD							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,999.29	1,410.13	3,200.00		-2,589.16		-2,589.16
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				3,196.00			
51400 SCHOOL DEPT TEACHER AIDES				400.00			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				1,014.13			
54160 SCHOOL/CLASS SUPPLIES							
Total 6790 BELLINGHAM CPC ENHANCEMENT FD	-3,999.29	1,410.13	3,200.00	4,610.13	-2,589.16		-2,589.16
6800 WATER INSPECTION FEES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-4,237.50	-100.00	100.00		-4,337.50		-4,337.50
42001 FEES							
Total 6800 WATER INSPECTION FEES	-4,237.50	-100.00	100.00		-4,337.50		-4,337.50
6810 BELL SCH FUND FOR EXCELLENCE							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-10,481.00	1,525.00	475.00		-8,956.00		-8,956.00
48300 GIFTS/DONATIONS				2,000.00			
54230 MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT							
Total 6810 BELL SCH FUND FOR EXCELLENCE	-10,481.00	1,525.00	475.00	2,000.00	-8,956.00		-8,956.00
*** Grand Total ***	-1,765,848.48	69,200.21	1,279,671.91	1,329,826.37	-1,696,648.27		-1,696,648.27

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Fund: 6010 to 6810

Account Sub Type: CP

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
7010 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,321,499.50	-399,843.93	1,139,684.22		-1,721,343.43		-1,721,343.43
42275 EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTION TO INS			26,988.78				
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			700,819.77				
48005 GROUP INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT			82,489.62				
48014 MEDICARE DRUG SUBSIDY			743,110.60				
48015 RETIREES CONTRIBUTION			594.77				
48025 PRESCRIPTION BENEFITS			4,599,000.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			63,000.00				
49705 TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND							
57040 MEDICAL CLAIMS/INSURANCE SERV				6,955,843.83			
Total 7010 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST	-1,321,499.50	-399,843.93	7,355,687.76	6,955,843.83	-1,721,343.43		-1,721,343.43
7020 STABILIZATION TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,509,470.22	728,750.38	56,249.62		-780,719.84		-780,719.84
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT				785,000.00			
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 7020 STABILIZATION TRUST FUND	-1,509,470.22	728,750.38	56,249.62	785,000.00	-780,719.84		-780,719.84
7030 UNEMPLOYMENT INS TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-96,008.09	-27,270.93	5,696.95		-123,279.02		-123,279.02
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			75,000.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND				53,426.02			
57040 MEDICAL CLAIMS/INSURANCE SERV							
Total 7030 UNEMPLOYMENT INS TRUST FUND	-96,008.09	-27,270.93	80,696.95	53,426.02	-123,279.02		-123,279.02
7040 WORKERS COMPENSATION TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-192,730.36	-34,034.03	6,668.46		-226,764.39		-226,764.39
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			18,112.00				
48006 WORKERS COMP INSUR TR REIMB			16,100.00				
49705 TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND				6,496.44			
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				349.99			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 7040 WORKERS COMPENSATION TRUST	-192,730.36	-34,034.03	40,880.46	6,846.43	-226,764.39		-226,764.39
7050 MUNICIPAL INSURANCE TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-207,898.13	-1,455.69	10,043.65		-209,353.82		-209,353.82
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT				8,587.96			
54150 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES							
Total 7050 MUNICIPAL INSURANCE TRUST	-207,898.13	-1,455.69	10,043.65	8,587.96	-209,353.82		-209,353.82
7060 ANP-SCHOLARSHIP FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-514,486.36	-17,370.80			-531,857.16		-531,857.16
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			32.61				

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45002 MERRILL LYNCH MONEY MKT INT			6,593.33				
45003 MERRILL LYNCH GAIN/LOSS-BONDS			25,144.86				
51810 SCHOLARSHIP INCENTIVE				14,400.00			
Total 7060 ANP-SCHOLARSHIP FUND	-514,486.36	-17,370.80	31,770.80	14,400.00	-531,857.16		-531,857.16
7070 TAX STABILIZATION FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-1,329,272.10	-162,666.31			-1,491,938.41		-1,491,938.41
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			24,472.63				
45002 MERRILL LYNCH MONEY MKT INT			-60,121.32				
45003 MERRILL LYNCH GAIN/LOSS-BONDS			98,315.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			100,000.00				
59040 TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND							
Total 7070 TAX STABILIZATION FUND	-1,329,272.10	-162,666.31	162,666.31		-1,491,938.41		-1,491,938.41
7080 COMPENSATED ABSENCE FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-78,379.64	28,449.79	1,260.11		-49,929.85		-49,929.85
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT				29,709.90			
51110 DEPARTMENT HEAD SALARY							
Total 7080 COMPENSATED ABSENCE FUND	-78,379.64	28,449.79	1,260.11	29,709.90	-49,929.85		-49,929.85
7520 CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-10,213.48	-1,738.45	1,738.45		-11,951.93		-11,951.93
42001 FEES							
Total 7520 CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE TRUST	-10,213.48	-1,738.45	1,738.45		-11,951.93		-11,951.93
7530 WHITNEY LIBRARY TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-232.88	-7.64	7.64		-240.52		-240.52
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7530 WHITNEY LIBRARY TRUST	-232.88	-7.64	7.64		-240.52		-240.52
7540 MABLE DRAKE LIBRARY TRUST							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-433.11	-14.21	14.21		-447.32		-447.32
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7540 MABLE DRAKE LIBRARY TRUST	-433.11	-14.21	14.21		-447.32		-447.32
7550 CONSERVATION TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-146,197.53	-19,868.79	4,868.79		-166,066.32		-166,066.32
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			15,000.00				
49700 TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND							
Total 7550 CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	-146,197.53	-19,868.79	19,868.79		-166,066.32		-166,066.32

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
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45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			15,661.55				
49705 TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND			50,750.00				
Total 7560 RETIREMENT RESERVE TRUST FUND	-322,362.23	-66,411.55	66,411.55		-388,773.78		-388,773.78
7570 E WHITNEY CEMETERY TRUST FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-408.72	85.07	6.84		-323.65		-323.65
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7570 E WHITNEY CEMETERY TRUST FUND	-408.72	85.07	6.84		-323.65		-323.65
7580 ETTA METCALF CEMETERY TRUST FD							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-824.05	76.36	13.78		-747.69		-747.69
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7580 ETTA METCALF CEMETERY TRUST FD	-824.05	76.36	13.78		-747.69		-747.69
7590 CONSERVATION STORM WATER MGMT							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-50,200.00				-50,200.00		-50,200.00
Total 7590 CONSERVATION STORM WATER MGMT	-50,200.00				-50,200.00		-50,200.00
7600 CONSV STORM WTR EXPEND INT TR							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,005.72	-2,343.69	566.67		-7,349.41		-7,349.41
45025 CENTER RUN INTEREST			132.96				
45026 HERITAGE PINES INTEREST			219.23				
45027 MAPLE SANDS INTEREST			104.08				
45028 BAINBRIDGE ROAD INTEREST			153.85				
45029 TOWN COMMON ESTATES INTEREST			62.38				
45030 SPRING MEADOW ESTATES INTEREST			91.77				
45031 WOODSIDE/EDGEHILL LN INTEREST			349.66				
45032 EDWARDS ESTATES INTEREST			231.40				
45033 COUNTRY CLUB II ESTS INTEREST			100.21				
45034 HIDDEN PINES STWTR BD INTERES			331.48				
45035 CORSI ST STWTR BD INTEREST							
54525 CENTER RUN ESTATES							
54526 HERITAGE PINES							
54527 MAPLE SANDS							
54528 BAINBRIDGE ROAD							
54529 TOWN COMMON ESTATES							
54530 SPRING MEADOW ESTATES							
54531 WOODSIDE RD / EDGEHILL LN							
54532 EDWARDS ESTATES							
54533 COUNTRY CLUB II ESTATES							
54534 HIDDEN PINES (ROLLING HILL DR)							
54535 CORSI ST STWTR BD EXPENSE							
Total 7600 CONSV STORM WTR EXPEND INT TR	-5,005.72	-2,343.69	2,343.69		-7,349.41		-7,349.41

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7610 PROCTOR P COOKE TR (ANIMAL CN)							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-21,155.34	-694.22	694.22		-21,849.56		-21,849.56
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
Total 7610 PROCTOR P COOKE TR (ANIMAL CN)	-21,155.34	-694.22	694.22		-21,849.56		-21,849.56
7620 WALTER/MARIE COOKE SCHOLARSHIP							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-26,389.07	-1,032.39	1,232.39	200.00	-27,421.46		-27,421.46
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT							
52400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
Total 7620 WALTER/MARIE COOKE SCHOLARSHIP	-26,389.07	-1,032.39	1,232.39	200.00	-27,421.46		-27,421.46
*** Grand Total ***	-5,833,166.53	22,608.97	7,831,587.22	7,854,014.14	-5,810,557.56		-5,810,557.56

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Fund: 7010 to 7620

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Account Description	Beginning Balance	Fund Balance Transactions	Revenue	Expenditure	Sub-Total	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance
8010 POLICE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-7,418.16	48,040.50	402,594.44		40,622.34		40,622.34
42150 POLICE-OUTSIDE DETAIL FEE				450,634.94			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8010 POLICE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL	-7,418.16	48,040.50	402,594.44	450,634.94	40,622.34		40,622.34
8020 CUSTODIA, EXTRA WORK DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,006.92	-10.68	32,785.40		-3,017.60		-3,017.60
42001 FEES				32,774.72			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8020 CUSTODIA, EXTRA WORK DETAIL	-3,006.92	-10.68	32,785.40	32,774.72	-3,017.60		-3,017.60
8030 FIRE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-952.91	-27.93	1,484.34		-980.84		-980.84
42001 FEES				1,456.41			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8030 FIRE, EXTRA WORK DETAIL	-952.91	-27.93	1,484.34	1,456.41	-980.84		-980.84
8040 STATE LICENSES							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-3,408.40	-335.95	2,815.95		-3,744.35		-3,744.35
42001 FEES			12,087.50				
42750 STATE FIREARMS LICENSES				12,012.50			
52750 STATE FIREARMS LICENSE FEES				2,555.00			
55001 AGENCY FEES REMITTED							
Total 8040 STATE LICENSES	-3,408.40	-335.95	14,903.45	14,567.50	-3,744.35		-3,744.35
8060 LIBRARY, CUSTODIAL DETAIL							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-85.72	-37.00	215.00		-122.72		-122.72
42001 FEES				178.00			
51540 EXTRA DUTY PAY							
Total 8060 LIBRARY, CUSTODIAL DETAIL	-85.72	-37.00	215.00	178.00	-122.72		-122.72
8080 DPW-HUNTER DEV & VARIOUS PROJ							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-757.09	-69,415.07	325,997.40		-70,172.16		-70,172.16
48325 DPW-HUNTER DEV/HARTFORD AVE				256,582.33			
58325 DPW-HUNTER DEV/HARTFORD AVE							
Total 8080 DPW-HUNTER DEV & VARIOUS PROJ	-757.09	-69,415.07	325,997.40	256,582.33	-70,172.16		-70,172.16
8090 BHS STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-68,721.99	4,398.12	358.83		-64,323.87		-64,323.87
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			203,120.14				
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				207,877.09			
52900 MISC SERVICES OR OTHER COSTS							

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Total 8090 BHS STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND	-68,721.99	4,398.12	203,478.97	207,877.09	-64,323.87		-64,323.87
8100 BOND TAKINGS/COMPLIANCE CERTS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-5,461.32	-914.26	914.26		-6,375.58		-6,375.58
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 8100 BOND TAKINGS/COMPLIANCE CERTS	-5,461.32	-914.26	914.26		-6,375.58		-6,375.58
8120 STREET OPEN-SECURITY DEPOSITS							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-29,960.30	-60.00	60.00		-30,020.30		-30,020.30
48000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 8120 STREET OPEN-SECURITY DEPOSITS	-29,960.30	-60.00	60.00		-30,020.30		-30,020.30
8130 ANP DECOMMISSIONING FUND							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	-344,347.44	-49,546.48	14,546.48		-393,893.92		-393,893.92
45001 EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT			35,000.00				
48400 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE							
Total 8130 ANP DECOMMISSIONING FUND	-344,347.44	-49,546.48	49,546.48		-393,893.92		-393,893.92
8140 ABANDONED PROPERTY							
35900 UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	924.00	-924.00					
Total 8140 ABANDONED PROPERTY	924.00	-924.00					
*** Grand Total ***	-463,196.25	-68,832.75	1,031,979.74	964,070.99	-532,029.00		-532,029.00

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Fund: 8010 to 8150

Account Sub Type: CP

FISCAL 2008 DEBT SCHEDULE

LONG TERM DEBT SCHEDULE

GENERAL FUND OBLIGATIONS			DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE--TOWN OF BELLINGHAM			
			OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL (AS OF 06/30/07)	PRINCIPAL PAYMENT FY '08	INTEREST PAYMENT FY '08	TOTAL DEBT PAYMENT FY '08
FISCAL 2008 PROJECTION						
WATER TREATMENT FACILITY	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$472,532.14	\$98,888.55	\$20,954.19	\$119,842.74
WATER MAINS	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$26,251.79	\$5,493.81	\$1,164.12	\$6,657.93
WELL	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$32,032.22	\$5,801.87	\$1,229.40	\$7,031.27
SEWER	OUTSIDE	2 1/2 EXEMPT	\$1,084,183.88	\$229,815.77	\$48,697.29	\$278,513.06
(2 1/2 EXEMPT)						
SEWER 4.6 M	OUTSIDE	2 1/2 EXEMPT	\$2,049,200.00	\$267,900.00	\$52,894.98	\$320,794.98
(2 1/2 EXEMPT)						\$0.00
STALLBROOK ROOF	INSIDE BLDG		\$130,800.00	\$17,100.00	\$3,376.28	\$20,476.28
PINECREST ROOF	INSIDE BLDG		\$150,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$7,875.00	\$27,875.00
LANDFILL CLOSING	OUTSIDE		\$500,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$22,187.50	\$147,187.50
MACY ROOF	INSIDE		\$136,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$6,327.50	\$31,327.50
WELL	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$264,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$12,235.00	\$62,235.00
TITLE V-SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM I	OUTSIDE		\$136,772.00	\$10,539.00	\$0.00	\$10,539.00
NEW HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT	OUTSIDE		\$23,985,000.00	\$1,225,000.00	\$1,187,450.00	\$2,412,450.00
SENIOR CENTER	INSIDE-BLDG		\$630,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$30,937.50	\$75,937.50
MAPLE STREET RECONSTRUCTION	OTHER-INSIDE		\$165,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$7,200.00	\$52,200.00
SEWERS- WPAT	OUTSIDE		\$268,832.00	\$48,984.32	\$2,520.82	\$51,505.14
SEWERS-MWPAT SUBSIDY				\$15,689.68		
MIDDLE SCHOOL RENOVATIONS	OUTSIDE		\$9,905,000.00	\$465,000.00	\$479,526.26	\$944,526.26
AMBULANCE	INSIDE		\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$530.00	\$40,530.00
WATER BONDS- 2003	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$405,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$10,043.75	\$75,043.75
WATER BONDS- 2003	INSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$210,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$5,171.25	\$40,171.25
TITLE V- SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM II	OUTSIDE		\$160,008.00	\$10,020.00	\$0.00	\$10,020.00
WATER-AUXILIARY POWER	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$270,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$11,107.50	\$26,107.50
WATER-BLACKSTONE, S MAIN MAINS	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$210,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$8,605.00	\$23,605.00
WATER- 10 WHEELER	INSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$75,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$28,000.00
WATER-BLACKSTONE ST WATER MAINS	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$25,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$6,000.00
WATER-FARM & JAMES ST WATER MAINS	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$400.00	\$5,400.00
WATER-WATER METER REPLACEMENT	OUTSIDE	ENTERPRISE	\$490,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$19,900.00	\$84,900.00
TOWN HALL I	INSIDE		\$1,100,000.00	\$62,500.00	\$45,242.50	\$107,742.50
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	INSIDE		\$960,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$39,000.00	\$159,000.00
LAND ACQUISITION	INSIDE		\$1,010,000.00	\$57,500.00	\$41,540.00	\$99,040.00
TITLE V- SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM III	OUTSIDE		\$285,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
SUB TOTAL			\$45,185,612.03	\$3,235,233.00	\$2,070,115.84	\$5,289,659.14
PROJECTED						
			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SUB-TOTAL PROJECTED			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL (LONG TERM DEBT)			\$45,185,612.03	\$3,235,233.00	\$2,070,115.84	\$5,289,659.14
GENERAL FUND DEBT			\$42,695,795.88	\$2,829,359.09	\$1,975,305.63	\$4,804,664.60
WATER ENTERPRISE DEBT			\$2,489,816.15	\$390,184.23	\$94,810.21	\$484,994.60
PROOF		-	\$45,185,612.03	\$3,219,543.32	\$2,070,115.84	\$5,289,659.14

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account and Description

	Beginning Balance	Debits	Credits	Ending Balance
9700 ACCT GRP-LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS				
19801 AMTS TO BE PROV-LTD(LANDFILL)	90,000.00	.00	.00	90,000.00
19850 AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED-ABSCEN	1,180,650.00	.00	.00	1,180,650.00
19960 AMOUNTS TO PROVIDE FOR BONDS	42,695,795.87	1,863,000.00	2,845,048.77	41,713,747.10
28001 LANDFILL CLOSING/MONITOR COSTS	(90,000.00)	.00	.00	(90,000.00)
28850 ACCRUED COMP ABS PAYABLE	(1,180,650.00)	.00	.00	(1,180,650.00)
29008 I-BDS PAY-STALLBROOK ROOF 1994	(130,800.00)	17,100.00	.00	(113,700.00)
29010 I-BDS PAY-PINECREST ROOF-1994	(150,000.00)	20,000.00	.00	(130,000.00)
29011 I-BDS-MACY ROOF 1996	(136,000.00)	25,000.00	.00	(111,000.00)
29016 I-BDS-MAPLE ST RECON 2001	(165,000.00)	45,000.00	.00	(120,000.00)
29017 I-BDS-SENIOR CENTER 2001	(630,000.00)	40,000.00	.00	(585,000.00)
29019 I-BDS- AMBULANCE 2003	(40,000.00)	.00	.00	.00
29040 I-TH RENOVATE (1.225K) (2005)	(1,100,000.00)	62,500.00	.00	(1,037,500.00)
29041 I-BDS LAND ACQUISITION (2004)	(1,010,000.00)	57,500.00	.00	(952,500.00)
29042 I-BDS ROAD RECONSTRUCTION-2005	(960,000.00)	120,000.00	.00	(840,000.00)
29043 I-KEOUGH ROOF REPLACEMENT (2008) 193,750	.00	.00	193,000.00	(193,000.00)
29044 I-BDS FIRE PUMPER (2006) (400K)	.00	.00	400,000.00	(400,000.00)
29045 I-BDS ROADWAY IMPROVE (2006) (370K)	.00	.00	370,000.00	(370,000.00)
29046 I-BDS PULASKI SEWER (2005) (500K)	.00	.00	500,000.00	(500,000.00)
29047 I-BDS PULASKI LAND (2006) (400K)	.00	.00	400,000.00	(400,000.00)
29512 O-BDS PAY-SEWER 1991	(1,084,183.87)	229,815.77	.00	(854,368.10)
29513 O-BDS PAY-SEWER 1994	(2,049,200.00)	267,900.00	.00	(1,781,300.00)
29518 O-BDS-LANDFILL 1995	(500,000.00)	125,000.00	.00	(375,000.00)
29520 O-BDS REMEDIATED SWR 1996 200K	(136,772.00)	10,539.00	.00	(126,233.00)
29521 O-BDS-NEW JR/SR HighSchool	(23,985,000.00)	1,225,000.00	.00	(22,760,000.00)
29522 O-BDS- PHASE III SEWER (2001)	(268,832.00)	64,674.00	.00	(204,158.00)
29523 O-BDS- MIDDLE SCHOOL RENOVATE	(9,905,000.00)	465,000.00	.00	(9,440,000.00)
29524 O-BDS REMEDIATED SWR 2001 200K	(160,008.00)	10,020.00	.00	(149,988.00)
29525 O-BDS REMEDIATED SWR 2006 300K	(285,000.00)	15,000.00	.00	(270,000.00)
37000 BONDS AUTHORIZED/UNISSUED MEMO	(1,920,000.00)	1,863,000.00	193,750.00	(250,750.00)
37005 BDS AUTH-REMEDIED SWR 1996	50,000.00	.00	.00	50,000.00
37042 PULASKI SEWER ART 22-2006-500K	500,000.00	.00	500,000.00	.00
37043 PULASKI (400K) (2006)	400,000.00	.00	400,000.00	.00
37044 BA FIRE PUMPER (2007) 400K	400,000.00	.00	400,000.00	.00
37045 PULASKI BLVD IMPROV(2007)370K	370,000.00	.00	370,000.00	.00
37046 REMEDIATED SWR (2008) 200K	200,000.00	.00	.00	200,000.00
37047 B/A- KEOUGH ROOF REPLACEMENT (2008)	.00	193,750.00	193,000.00	750.00
Total 9700 ACCT GRP-LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS	.00	6,764,798.77	6,764,798.77	.00

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account and Description	Beginning Balance	Debits	Credits	Ending Balance
Accounts: 36	.00	6,764,798.77	6,764,798.77	.00
***** Net Total *****				

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: ALF
FY: 2008 to 2008
Fund: 9700 to 9700
Account Sub Type: CP

GENERAL LEDGER TRIAL BALANCE

Fiscal Year: 2008 to 2008

Account and Description	Beginning Balance	Debits	Credits	Ending Balance
0200 WATER-OPERATING	97,500.00	.00	.00	97,500.00
19850 AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED-ABSCEN	2,489,816.15	2,265,000.00	390,184.23	4,364,631.92
19960 AMOUNTS TO PROVIDE FOR BONDS	(97,500.00)	.00	.00	(97,500.00)
28850 ACCRUED COMP ABS PAYABLE	(2,265,000.00)	2,265,000.00	.00	.00
37000 BONDS AUTHORIZED/UNISSUED MEMO	1,365,000.00	.00	1,365,000.00	.00
37214 PULASKI WATER MAIN 2006-800K	900,000.00	.00	900,000.00	.00
37216 GROVE ST STANDPIPE REHAB	(210,000.00)	35,000.00	.00	(175,000.00)
39003 I-WATER BONDS -2003	(75,000.00)	25,000.00	.00	(50,000.00)
39004 I-BDS 10 WHEELER - 2005	(405,000.00)	65,000.00	.00	(340,000.00)
39503 O-BDS-WATER BONDS - 2003	(472,532.14)	98,888.55	.00	(373,643.59)
39508 O-BDS PAY-WATER FACILITY	(26,251.79)	5,493.81	.00	(20,757.98)
39509 O-BDS PAY-WATER MAIN 1991	(32,032.22)	5,801.87	.00	(26,230.35)
39511 O-BDS PAY-WELL 1991	(264,000.00)	50,000.00	.00	(214,000.00)
39517 O-BDS WELL CONSTRUCTION 1996	(490,000.00)	65,000.00	.00	(425,000.00)
39520 O-BDS-WATER METERS 2005	(10,000.00)	5,000.00	.00	(5,000.00)
39521 O-BDS WATER MAIN-FARM ST 2005	(25,000.00)	5,000.00	.00	(20,000.00)
39522 O-BDS BLACKSTONE ST 2005	(210,000.00)	15,000.00	.00	(195,000.00)
39523 O-BDS BLACK,S MAIN,MECH 2004	(270,000.00)	15,000.00	.00	(255,000.00)
39524 O-BDS AUXILIARY POWER 2005	.00	.00	900,000.00	(900,000.00)
39525 O-BDS STANDPIPE REHAB (2007) (900K)	.00	.00	800,000.00	(800,000.00)
39526 O-BDS PULASKI WATER MAINS (2005) (800K)	.00	.00	565,000.00	(565,000.00)
39527 O-BDS PULASKI WATER MAINS (2005) (565K)	.00	4,920,184.23	4,920,184.23	.00
Total 0200 WATER-OPERATING	.00	4,920,184.23	4,920,184.23	.00
Accounts: 21	.00	4,920,184.23	4,920,184.23	.00
***** Net Total *****				

===== Selection Legend =====

Account Type: ALF

FY: 2008 to 2008

Department: 970 to 970

Fund: 0200 to 0200

Account Sub Type: CP

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TAX COLLECTIONS/ABATEMENTS

Town of Bellingham
Outstanding Balance Report
For Tax Year 2008

Category	Bill#	Taxes	Betterments	Liens	Deductions	Payments	Interest	Adjustments	Balance
Total						88339.28	89173.26	-401.81	432.17
Interest Total			1015.52			1721.58	910.56	-145.39	59.11
Interest Total			720.35			888.54	345.02	-97.15	79.68
Total						2112.59	3042.59	-590.00	340.00
Total			88746.96		942.08	84224.10		-2610.27	970.51
Interest Total						650.14	650.14		
Total				68411.93		56890.59		-7566.19	3955.15
Total				34442.45		26187.11		-4392.98	3862.36
Total				83938.17		71818.51		-7892.66	4227.00
ce Tax Total		22460830.70			190962.80	21939203.64		-174536.90	156127.36
Phase I Total			27539.00			27539.00			
Phase I Int Total						250.66	250.66		
Tax Year 2008		22460830.70	116285.96	188528.42	191904.88	22299825.74	94372.23	-198233.35	170053.34

Town of Bellingham
Outstanding Balance Report
For Tax Year 2008

Tax Category	Bill#	Taxes	Deductions	Payments	Interest	Adjustments	Balance
Personal Prop Int							
Personal Prop Int	Total				.09		.09
Demand	Total				275.00		275.00
Personal Prop Tax	Total	5833.41	36.63	945.89			4850.89
Total for Tax Year 2008		5833.41	36.63	945.89	275.09		5125.98

Motor Vehicle
Outstanding Balance Report

#	Owner Name	Tax	Paid	Abated	Refunded	Tax Due	Fees	Paid	Fees Due	Total Due
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Commitment 2008	:	164,903.28	67,920.24	10,168.79	906.52	87,720.77	23,375.69	9,288.16	14,087.53	101,808.30
Number of Accounts :	:	1,915								
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Totals for Report :	:	164,903.28	67,920.24	10,168.79	906.52	87,720.77	23,375.69	9,288.16	14,087.53	101,808.30
Number of Accounts :	:	1,915								

Year 2009		Commitment 01		Sequence	
Status Date		Status Date		Status Date	
Assessor	P 01072009	Posted	P 01212009	Demand	
Collector	P 01202009	Mailed	02242009	Warrant	
Billed	P 02242009	Due	03272009	Registry	
Refund	P 03122009	Abated		Noncollect	
Commitment and Fee Summary					
	Amount	Count	Amt Paid	Count	Balance Count
Commitment	1319696.85	13552	288112.05	3473	1031584.8
Fees			.01	1	-.01 -1
Total	1319696.85		288112.06		1031584.7
Commitment and Fee Summary					

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flow thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 29, 2009, on our consideration of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 9, and other post employment benefits information: schedules of funding progress and employer contributions on pages 55 through 56 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it

R. E. Brown & Company

January 29, 2009

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Bellingham (the Town), we offer readers of the Town's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in this report.

Overview of the Financial Statements:

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements consist of three components:

1. Government-wide financial statements
2. Fund financial statements
3. Notes to the basic financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements - The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of the Town's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of the cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses reported in this statement for some items will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions and activities of the Town that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions and activities that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees or charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Town include the broad functions of general government, public safety, education, public works, sewer, human services, culture and recreation, pension benefits, employee benefits, interest and state and county charges. The business type activities include costs relating to water and sanitation activities.

Fund Financial Statements - A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds - *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental funds financial statements focus on the *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds financial statements is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town of Bellingham adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

Proprietary Funds - *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town has two enterprise funds:

- *Water Enterprise Fund* accounts for the water activity of the Town.
- *Trash (Sanitation) Enterprise Fund* accounts for the trash collection and disposal activities of the Town.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* included in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of the funds are *not* available to support the Town's own functions and activities. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Private-purpose trust funds and agency funds are each reported and combined into a single, aggregate presentation in the fiduciary funds financial statements under the captions "private purpose trust funds" and "agency funds", respectively.

Notes to the basic financial statements - The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and funds financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Analysis:

The chart on the following page summarizes key financial components of the Town's Statement of Net Assets.

Net assets of \$35.2 million reflect the Town's investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery and equipment, etc.) less any related debt used to acquire those assets that remain outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; therefore, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets themselves, cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. Total net assets decreased from \$83.7 to \$82.9 million from the prior fiscal year, a decrease of \$772,157. Of this change in net assets, a decrease of \$1,377,157 was attributable to governmental activities and an increase of \$605,000 was attributable to business-type activities. A decrease in net assets means that the change in total liabilities exceeded the change in total assets. An increase in net assets means that the change in total assets exceeded the change in total liabilities.

The Town increased its total liabilities by \$1,185,396 million over the previous fiscal year. Correspondingly, the Town's total assets increased by \$413,239 thousand over the previous year.

An additional portion of the Town's net assets totaling \$5.6 million represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The restricted net assets relate to government activities.

Town of Bellingham - Condensed Statement of Net Assets

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	FY 2008	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2007
Assets:						
Current assets	\$23,671,276	\$22,000,214	\$ 1,994,029	\$ 1,366,404	\$25,665,305	\$ 23,366,618
Noncurrent assets (excluding capital)	31,115,186	33,129,684	-	-	31,115,186	33,129,684
Capital assets	66,845,648	67,226,336	13,969,569	13,459,831	80,815,217	80,686,167
Total assets	121,632,110	122,356,234	15,963,598	14,826,235	137,595,708	137,182,469
Liabilities:						
Current liabilities (excluding debt)	4,855,334	4,569,112	276,595	260,048	5,131,929	4,829,160
Noncurrent liabilities (excluding debt)	3,379,469	1,130,609	88,000	82,000	3,467,469	1,212,609
Current debt	3,057,880	3,745,049	506,973	1,755,184	3,564,853	5,500,233
Noncurrent debt	38,655,867	39,850,747	3,857,659	2,099,632	42,513,526	41,950,379
Total liabilities	49,948,550	49,295,517	4,729,227	4,196,864	54,677,777	53,492,381
Net Assets:						
Capital assets net of related debt	25,610,089	23,949,548	9,604,937	9,605,015	35,215,026	33,554,563
Restricted	5,658,890	5,012,233	-	-	5,658,890	5,012,233
Unrestricted	40,414,581	44,098,936	1,629,434	1,024,356	42,044,015	45,123,292
Total net assets	\$ 71,683,560	\$ 73,060,717	\$ 11,234,371	\$ 10,629,371	\$ 82,917,931	\$ 83,690,088

The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets totaling \$42.0 million – or 51% of total net assets may be used to meet the Town's on-going obligations to its citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities.

There was an increase of \$605,000 in net assets reported in connection with the water and sanitation business-type activities. This \$605,000 change in net assets is attributable to budgeting revenues sufficient to cover current operational costs.

The governmental activities net assets decreased by \$1,377,157 during the current fiscal year. The Town's total revenues increased by \$2.9 million or 5.0% over the prior fiscal year, which was related to both governmental and business type activities. The biggest contributors to the revenue increase were property taxes (\$894,537) and business-type activities charges for services (\$786,655). The Town's total expenses increased by \$4.5 million over the prior fiscal year or 8.2%. The largest contributors to the expense increase were employee benefits (\$3.3 million) and public works (\$0.6 million).

Town of Bellingham - Condensed Statement of Activities

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	FY 2008	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2007
Revenues						
<i>Program Revenues:</i>						
Charges for services	\$ 6,699,825	\$ 6,111,654	\$ 3,607,979	\$ 2,821,324	\$ 10,307,804	\$ 8,932,978
Operating grants and contributions	15,451,179	14,183,396	26,152	57,232	15,477,331	14,240,628
Capital grants and contributions	865,926	1,356,161	-	-	865,926	1,356,161
<i>General Revenues:</i>						
Real Estate and personal property taxes	27,090,483	26,195,946	-	-	27,090,483	26,195,946
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes	2,136,121	1,977,901	-	-	2,136,121	1,977,901
Nonrestricted grants and contributions	2,229,308	2,251,155	-	-	2,229,308	2,251,155
Unrestricted investment income	582,444	714,734	-	-	582,444	714,734
Other revenues	177,394	319,520	-	-	177,394	319,520
Total Revenues	<u>55,232,680</u>	<u>53,110,467</u>	<u>3,634,131</u>	<u>2,878,556</u>	<u>58,866,811</u>	<u>55,989,023</u>
Expenses:						
General Government	3,004,221	3,087,914	-	-	3,004,221	3,087,914
Public Safety	4,334,290	4,449,101	-	-	4,334,290	4,449,101
Education	27,167,188	26,633,814	-	-	27,167,188	26,633,814
Public Works	2,886,956	2,289,951	-	-	2,886,956	2,289,951
Sewer	594,839	576,013	-	-	594,839	576,013
Human Services	445,452	452,248	-	-	445,452	452,248
Culture and Recreation	675,681	789,923	-	-	675,681	789,923
Employee Benefits	14,434,619	11,127,548	-	-	14,434,619	11,127,548
State and County Assessments	824,031	669,369	-	-	824,031	669,369
Interest	2,016,089	2,092,538	-	-	2,016,089	2,092,538
Water	-	-	1,798,700	1,742,746	1,798,700	1,742,746
Sanitation	-	-	1,456,902	1,196,802	1,456,902	1,196,802
Total Expenses	<u>56,383,366</u>	<u>52,168,419</u>	<u>3,255,602</u>	<u>2,939,548</u>	<u>59,638,968</u>	<u>55,107,967</u>
Transfers	<u>(226,471)</u>	<u>(151,263)</u>	<u>226,471</u>	<u>151,263</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in Net Assets	<u>(1,377,157)</u>	<u>790,785</u>	<u>605,000</u>	<u>90,271</u>	<u>(772,157)</u>	<u>881,056</u>
Net Assets - beginning	<u>73,060,717</u>	<u>72,269,932</u>	<u>10,629,371</u>	<u>10,539,100</u>	<u>83,690,088</u>	<u>82,809,032</u>
Net Assets - ending	<u>\$ 71,683,560</u>	<u>\$ 73,060,717</u>	<u>\$ 11,234,371</u>	<u>\$ 10,629,371</u>	<u>\$ 82,917,931</u>	<u>\$ 83,690,088</u>

The water and sanitation business-type activities revenues and expenses did materially change from the previous fiscal year due to the increased revenue in charges for services.

Financial Analysis of the Governmental Funds

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds - The focus of the Town's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$12.2 million, an increase of approximately of \$1.1 million in comparison with the prior year. Approximately \$9.4 million of this amount constitutes *undesignated fund balance*, which is available for spending at the Town's discretion.

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$3.2 million, while the total fund balance was \$5.0 million. Unreserved fund balance represents 6.5% of total general fund expenditures.

General fund revenues for FY 2008 were \$47.7 million with property taxes (\$27.0 million) and intergovernmental (\$16.7 million) the major components of the Town's revenue sources. General Fund expenditures were \$48.7 million for FY 2008 with education (\$22.1 million), employee benefits (\$10.6 million) and debt service (\$4.9 million) the major components of spending. The fund balance of the general fund decreased by \$214,093.

The stabilization fund has accumulated a fund balance of nearly \$1.1 million which represents 2.2% of general fund expenditures. These funds can be used for general or capital purposes upon Town Meeting approval. The town has targeted \$0.3 million of stabilization funds to be used for fiscal 2009 budgetary funding. Please refer to **Note 9** for additional information.

General Fund Budget Highlights

There were no changes between the original and final revenue budget of the Town. The Town budgeted \$42.9 million of revenues. There were changes between the original and final expenditure budgets of the Town. The Town budgeted \$46.7 million in expenditures and added \$494,621 in additional expenditures, drawing on transfers and prior year surplus to finance the difference.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets – In conjunction with the operating budget, the Town annually prepared capital budgets for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Town's investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2008, amounts to \$80.8 million, net of accumulated depreciation. The investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, machinery and equipment, vehicles, infrastructure, and construction in process.

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Land	\$ 12,106,807	\$ 3,510,300	\$ 15,617,107
Buildings and Improvements	42,990,506	15,304	43,005,810
Machinery and Equipment	2,185,633	713,231	2,898,864
Vehicles	1,445,980	120,993	1,566,973
Infrastructure	6,212,158	6,886,288	13,098,446
Construction in Progress	1,904,564	2,723,453	4,628,017
Total	<u>\$ 66,845,648</u>	<u>\$ 13,969,569</u>	<u>\$ 80,815,217</u>

Long term debt – Governmental activities outstanding long-term debt as of June 30, 2008, totaled \$41.7 million of which \$32.2 million (78.2%) is for school building construction, subject to an annual reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of 76% of principal and interest for twenty (20) years, and \$4.3 million (10.4%) is for sewer. The governmental activities (business-type activities debt is not included) long-term debt consists of the following:

Education (reimbursable)	\$ 32,200,000	77.19%
Education (non-reimbursable)	547,700	1.31%
Sewer	4,286,047	10.27%
Public Works	2,657,500	6.37%
Culture and Recreation	585,000	1.40%
Public Safety	400,000	0.96%
General Government	1,037,500	2.49%
Total	<u>\$ 41,713,747</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Town's leadership (elected and appointed officials) considered many factors when setting the fiscal 2008 budget and tax rates including the following:

- One of the most significant financial factors was the local aid, including Chapter 70 school assistance, received from the state, which has increased slightly from the FY '03 level due to the state's general economic down cycle and a change in the education reform formula.
- The fiscal 2008 residential tax rate was set at \$9.75 and the commercial/industrial tax rate was set at \$15.31. Residential property values decreased an average of 4.0% and commercial/industrial values increased an average of 1.5%. The excess levy capacity for fiscal 2008 was \$244,522.
- The Board of Selectmen voted during their classification hearing to maintain the split tax rate for the various classes of property within the town. On a state wide ranking, the Town of Bellingham ranks 229 in the amount of tax dollars paid, with a rank of 1 being the highest bill in the state and 351 being the lowest bill in the state.
- The Board of Selectmen, as Water and Sewer Commissioners voted to increase both water and sewer rates by 5% for all customers. The water increase accomplished the goal of increasing fiscal 2008 ending net assets. The Capital Improvement committee is reviewing various long term capital plans for both the Water and Sewer Enterprise accounts.
- Fiscal 2009 and beyond will prove to be extremely challenging due to the current economic condition of both state and federal governments. Mid-year state local aid cuts for Fiscal 2009 total approximately \$205,000. This will necessitate budget adjustments 7 months into the fiscal year. Projected state local aid cuts for Fiscal 2010 totaling approximately \$415,000 may result in reduced staffing town-wide.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all of those with an interest in the Town's finances. Questions concerning any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Chief Financial Officer, Town Hall Annex, 10 Mechanic Street, Bellingham, MA, 02019.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT		
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
ASSETS			
CURRENT:			
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 15,873,350	\$ 1,585,387	\$ 17,458,737
INVESTMENTS	3,182,144	-	3,182,144
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:			
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	509,945	-	509,945
TAX LIENS	743,888	-	743,888
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	223,787	-	223,787
USER FEES	112,118	408,642	520,760
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	187,303	-	187,303
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	2,689,243	-	2,689,243
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	86,255	-	86,255
OTHER ASSETS	63,243	-	63,243
NONCURRENT:			
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:			
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	30,306,132	-	30,306,132
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	809,054	-	809,054
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	66,845,648	13,969,569	80,815,217
TOTAL ASSETS	121,632,110	15,963,598	137,595,708
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT:			
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	2,427,835	226,678	2,654,513
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	1,036,060	-	1,036,060
HEALTH CLAIMS PAYABLE	694,099	-	694,099
OTHER LIABILITIES	9,000	-	9,000
ACCRUED INTEREST	597,840	34,417	632,257
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	3,057,880	506,973	3,564,853
LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS	5,000	-	5,000
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	85,500	15,500	101,000
NONCURRENT:			
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	38,655,867	3,857,659	42,513,526
LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS	80,000	-	80,000
POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	2,156,089	-	2,156,089
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	1,143,380	88,000	1,231,380
TOTAL LIABILITIES	49,948,550	4,729,227	54,677,777
NET ASSETS			
INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF RELATED DEBT	25,610,089	9,604,937	35,215,026
RESTRICTED FOR:			
STREETS	123,023	-	123,023
PERMANENT FUNDS:			
EXPENDABLE	35,562	-	35,562
OTHER PURPOSES	5,500,305	-	5,500,305
UNRESTRICTED	40,414,581	1,629,434	42,044,015
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 71,683,560	\$ 11,234,371	\$ 82,917,931

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	PROGRAM REVENUES				NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE
	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:					
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 3,004,221	\$ 176,300	\$ 514,066	\$ 3,500	\$ (2,310,355)
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,334,290	1,069,670	173,706	-	(3,090,914)
EDUCATION	27,167,188	1,752,217	10,155,313	-	(15,259,658)
PUBLIC WORKS	2,886,956	463,039	23,453	714,917	(1,685,547)
SEWER	594,839	1,259,418	-	26,304	690,883
HUMAN SERVICES	445,452	76,211	144,821	14,705	(209,715)
CULTURE & RECREATION	675,681	20,175	81,732	106,500	(467,274)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	14,434,619	1,882,795	4,358,088	-	(8,193,736)
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	824,031	-	-	-	(824,031)
INTEREST	2,016,089	-	-	-	(2,016,089)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	56,383,366	6,699,825	15,451,179	865,926	(33,366,436)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:					
WATER	1,798,700	2,144,073	20,024	-	365,397
SANITATION	1,456,902	1,463,906	6,128	-	13,132
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	3,255,602	3,607,979	26,152	-	378,529
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	\$ 59,638,968	\$ 10,307,804	\$ 15,477,331	\$ 865,926	\$ (32,987,907)

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT		
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:			
NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE FROM PREVIOUS PAGE	\$ (33,366,436)	\$ 378,529	\$ (32,987,907)
GENERAL REVENUES:			
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES,			
NET OF TAX REFUNDS PAYABLE	26,834,712	-	26,834,712
TAX LIENS	255,771	-	255,771
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	2,136,121	-	2,136,121
PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES	159,643	-	159,643
GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS NOT RESTRICTED			
TO SPECIFIC PROGRAMS	2,229,308	-	2,229,308
UNRESTRICTED INVESTMENT INCOME	582,444	-	582,444
MISCELLANEOUS	17,751	-	17,751
TRANSFERS, NET	(226,471)	226,471	-
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS	31,989,279	226,471	32,215,750
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(1,377,157)	605,000	(772,157)
NET ASSETS:			
BEGINNING OF YEAR	73,060,717	10,629,371	83,690,088
END OF YEAR	\$ 71,683,560	\$ 11,234,371	\$ 82,917,931

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2008

<u>ASSETS</u>	GENERAL	STABILIZATION	NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 4,788,678	\$ 1,080,720	\$ 6,497,211	\$ 12,366,609
INVESTMENTS	3,052,931	-	129,213	3,182,144
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	509,945	-	-	509,945
TAX LIENS	743,888	-	-	743,888
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	223,787	-	-	223,787
USER FEES	-	-	112,118	112,118
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	30,021	-	157,282	187,303
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	32,767,915	-	227,460	32,995,375
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	549,724	-	345,585	895,309
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 42,666,889	\$ 1,080,720	\$ 7,468,869	\$ 51,216,478

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

LIABILITIES:				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 1,978,590	\$ -	\$ 449,245	\$ 2,427,835
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	891,522	-	144,538	1,036,060
OTHER LIABILITIES	9,000	-	-	9,000
DEFERRED REVENUES	34,825,280	-	738,008	35,563,288
TOTAL LIABILITIES	37,704,392	-	1,331,791	39,036,183
FUND BALANCES:				
RESERVED FOR:				
ENCUMBRANCES AND CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS	1,798,360	-	-	1,798,360
UNRESERVED	950,385	-	-	950,385
DESIGNATED FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS' EXPENDITURES				
UNDESIGNATED, REPORTED IN:				
GENERAL FUND	2,213,752	-	-	2,213,752
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	-	1,080,720	5,623,328	6,704,048
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS	-	-	478,188	478,188
PERMANENT FUNDS	-	-	35,562	35,562
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	4,962,497	1,080,720	6,137,078	12,180,295
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 42,666,889	\$ 1,080,720	\$ 7,468,869	\$ 51,216,478

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	GENERAL	STABILIZATION	NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
REVENUES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES,				
NET OF TAX REFUNDS	\$ 27,046,138	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,046,138
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	2,127,333	-	-	2,127,333
PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES	159,643	-	-	159,643
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	16,754,285	-	2,347,247	19,101,532
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	-	-	2,469,492	2,469,492
CHARGES FOR SERVICES - SEWER	-	-	705,415	705,415
INVESTMENT INCOME	426,527	56,250	108,981	591,758
CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS	-	-	460,192	460,192
DEPARTMENTAL	1,169,695	-	648,445	1,818,140
TOTAL REVENUES	47,683,621	56,250	6,739,772	54,479,643
EXPENDITURES:				
CURRENT:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,427,553	-	636,563	3,064,116
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,592,895	-	86,071	4,678,966
EDUCATION	22,103,550	-	3,380,238	25,483,788
PUBLIC WORKS	2,411,818	-	1,333,528	3,745,346
SEWER	-	-	594,839	594,839
HUMAN SERVICES	263,001	-	171,256	434,257
CULTURE & RECREATION	603,752	-	127,875	731,627
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	10,563,837	-	23,600	10,587,437
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	824,031	-	-	824,031
DEBT SERVICE:				
PRINCIPAL	2,845,049	-	-	2,845,049
INTEREST	2,063,722	-	-	2,063,722
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	48,699,208	-	6,353,970	55,053,178
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(1,015,587)	56,250	385,802	(573,535)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
PROCEEDS FROM BONDS AND NOTES	-	-	1,863,000	1,863,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	1,683,965	300,000	216,000	2,199,965
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(882,471)	(785,000)	(758,965)	(2,426,436)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	801,494	(485,000)	1,320,035	1,636,529
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(214,093)	(428,750)	1,705,837	1,062,994
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	5,176,590	1,509,470	4,431,241	11,117,301
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$ 4,962,497	\$ 1,080,720	\$ 6,137,078	\$ 12,180,295

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TOTAL FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES		\$ 12,180,295
CAPITAL ASSETS (NET) USED IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES ARE NOT FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED IN THE FUNDS		66,845,648
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR CURRENT-PERIOD EXPENDITURES AND, THEREFORE, ARE DEFERRED IN THE FUNDS		35,563,288
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS ARE USED BY MANAGEMENT TO ACCOUNT FOR EMPLOYEES' AND RETIREES' HEALTH INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT, WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AND BUILDING INSURANCE ACTIVITIES.		
THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS ARE INCLUDED IN THE GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS		2,875,885
IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES, INTEREST IS ACCRUED ON OUTSTANDING LONG-TERM DEBT, WHEREAS IN GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS INTEREST IS NOT REPORTED UNTIL DUE		(597,840)
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES ARE NOT DUE AND PAYABLE IN THE CURRENT PERIOD AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED IN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS		
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	(41,713,747)	
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)	(2,156,089)	
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	(1,228,880)	
LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS	(85,000)	
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		(45,183,716)
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$ 71,683,560

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS		\$ 1,062,994
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REPORT CAPITAL OUTLAYS AS EXPENDITURES. HOWEVER, IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES THE COST OF THOSE ASSETS IS ALLOCATED OVER THEIR ESTIMATED USEFUL LIVES AND REPORTED AS DEPRECIATION EXPENSE.		
CAPITAL OUTLAY	2,399,417	
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	<u>(2,780,105)</u>	
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING CAPITAL ASSETS		(380,688)
REVENUES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT PROVIDE CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES ARE FULLY DEFERRED IN THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES. THEREFORE, THE RECOGNITION OF REVENUE FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (I.E. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE, ETC.) DIFFER BETWEEN THE TWO STATEMENTS. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS THE NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED REVENUE		
		(1,851,195)
THE ISSUANCE OF LONG-TERM DEBT (E.G., BONDS) PROVIDES CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS, WHILE THE REPAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF LONG-TERM DEBT CONSUMES THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS. NEITHER TRANSACTION, HOWEVER, HAS ANY EFFECT ON NET ASSETS. ALSO, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REPORT THE EFFECT OF ISSUANCE COSTS, PREMIUMS, DISCOUNTS, AND SIMILAR ITEMS WHEN DEBT IS FIRST ISSUED, WHEREAS THESE AMOUNTS ARE DEFERRED AND AMORTIZED IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES.		
PROCEEDS FROM BONDS AND NOTES	(1,863,000)	
DEBT SERVICE PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS	<u>2,845,049</u>	
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING LONG-TEM DEBT		982,049
SOME EXPENSES REPORTED IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED AS EXPENDITURES IN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS.		
NET CHANGE IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES ACCRUAL	(107,771)	
NET CHANGE IN LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE CARE ACCRUAL	5,000	
NET CHANGE IN ACCRUED INTEREST ON LONG-TERM DEBT	47,633	
NET CHANGE IN OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	<u>(2,156,089)</u>	
NET EFFECT OF RECORDING LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		(2,211,227)
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS ARE USED BY MANAGEMENT TO ACCOUNT FOR HEALTH INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT, WORKERS' COMPENSATION, AND BUILDING INSURANCE ACTIVITIES		
THE NET ACTIVITY OF INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS IS REPORTED WITH GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		<u>1,020,910</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		<u>\$ (1,377,157)</u>

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE
	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	BUDGETARY AMOUNTS	OVER (UNDER)
REVENUES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES,				
NET OF TAX REFUNDS	\$ 26,375,838	\$ 26,375,838	\$ 27,046,138	\$ 670,300
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	1,950,000	1,950,000	2,127,333	177,333
PENALTIES & INTEREST ON TAXES	175,000	175,000	159,643	(15,357)
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	13,028,581	13,028,581	13,082,848	54,267
INVESTMENT INCOME	280,000	280,000	426,527	146,527
DEPARTMENTAL	1,145,000	1,145,000	1,169,695	24,695
TOTAL REVENUES	42,954,419	42,954,419	44,012,184	1,057,765
EXPENDITURES:				
CURRENT:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	3,168,750	3,232,324	2,427,553	804,771
PUBLIC SAFETY	5,047,175	5,047,175	4,592,895	454,280
EDUCATION	22,127,847	22,127,847	22,103,550	24,297
PUBLIC WORKS	2,723,342	3,208,143	2,411,818	796,325
HUMAN SERVICES	267,984	269,984	263,001	6,983
CULTURE & RECREATION	608,376	608,376	603,753	4,623
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	6,992,532	6,992,532	6,933,408	59,124
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	734,142	734,142	824,031	(89,889)
DEBT SERVICE:				
PRINCIPAL	2,975,013	2,919,259	2,829,356	89,903
INTEREST	2,042,516	2,042,516	2,038,406	4,110
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	46,687,677	47,182,298	45,027,771	2,154,527
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(3,733,258)	(4,227,879)	(1,015,587)	3,212,292
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	1,091,679	1,576,679	1,683,965	107,286
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(882,471)	(882,471)	(882,471)	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	209,208	694,208	801,494	107,286
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(3,524,050)	(3,533,671)	(214,093)	3,319,578
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	5,176,590	5,176,590	5,176,590	-
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,652,540	\$ 1,642,919	\$ 4,962,497	\$ 3,319,578

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
 JUNE 30, 2008

	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
<u>ASSETS</u>	WATER	SANITATION	TOTAL	
CURRENT:				
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,403,572	\$ 181,815	\$ 1,585,387	\$ 3,506,741
USER FEES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:	254,154	154,488	408,642	-
OTHER ASSETS	-	-	-	63,243
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,657,726	336,303	1,994,029	3,569,984
NONCURRENT:				
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	13,969,569	-	13,969,569	-
TOTAL ASSETS	15,627,295	336,303	15,963,598	3,569,984
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
CURRENT:				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	107,419	119,259	226,678	-
HEALTH CLAIMS PAYABLE	-	-	-	694,099
ACCRUED INTEREST	34,417	-	34,417	-
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	506,973	-	506,973	-
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	15,500	-	15,500	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	664,309	119,259	783,568	694,099
NONCURRENT:				
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	3,857,659	-	3,857,659	-
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	88,000	-	88,000	-
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	3,945,659	-	3,945,659	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,609,968	119,259	4,729,227	694,099
<u>NET ASSETS</u>				
INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF RELATED DEBT	9,604,937	-	9,604,937	-
UNRESTRICTED	1,412,390	217,044	1,629,434	2,875,885
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 11,017,327	\$ 217,044	\$ 11,234,371	\$ 2,875,885

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS
 FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
	WATER	SANITATION	TOTAL	
<u>OPERATING REVENUES:</u>				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$ 2,144,073	\$ 1,463,906	\$ 3,607,979	\$ -
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	5,279,100
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	1,882,795
DEPARTMENTAL & OTHER INCOME	-	-	-	672,039
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	2,144,073	1,463,906	3,607,979	7,833,934
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u>				
GENERAL SERVICES	1,320,535	1,456,902	2,777,437	-
DEPRECIATION	310,033	-	310,033	-
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	6,000	-	6,000	6,862,422
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,636,568	1,456,902	3,093,470	6,862,422
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	507,505	7,004	514,509	971,512
<u>NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):</u>				
INVESTMENT INCOME	20,024	6,128	26,152	49,398
INTEREST EXPENSE	(162,132)	-	(162,132)	-
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES), NET	(142,108)	6,128	(135,980)	49,398
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OPERATING TRANSFERS	365,397	13,132	378,529	1,020,910
<u>OPERATING TRANSFERS:</u>				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	407,471	-	407,471	-
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(181,000)	-	(181,000)	-
TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS	226,471	-	226,471	-
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	591,868	13,132	605,000	1,020,910
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	10,425,459	203,912	10,629,371	1,854,975
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 11,017,327	\$ 217,044	\$ 11,234,371	\$ 2,875,885

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
	WATER	SANITATION	TOTAL	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,279,100
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	1,882,795
RECEIPTS FROM CUSTOMERS AND USERS	2,078,497	1,435,921	3,514,418	802,016
PAYMENTS TO SUPPLIERS	(696,214)	(1,439,403)	(2,135,617)	(7,024,704)
PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES	(577,779)	(21,338)	(599,117)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	804,504	(24,820)	779,684	939,207
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	407,471	-	407,471	-
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(181,000)	-	(181,000)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED (USES) BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	226,471	-	226,471	-
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
PROCEEDS FROM THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES	900,000	-	900,000	-
PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON BONDS AND NOTES	(390,184)	-	(390,184)	-
ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CAPITAL ASSETS	(819,771)	-	(819,771)	-
INTEREST EXPENSE	(188,287)	-	(188,287)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(498,242)	-	(498,242)	-
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
INTEREST RECEIVED	20,024	6,128	26,152	49,398
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	20,024	6,128	26,152	49,398
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	552,757	(18,692)	534,065	988,605
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	850,815	200,507	1,051,322	2,518,136
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 1,403,572	\$ 181,815	\$ 1,585,387	\$ 3,506,741
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 507,505	\$ 7,004	\$ 514,509	\$ 971,512
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
DEPRECIATION	310,033	-	310,033	-
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	(65,577)	(27,985)	(93,562)	129,978
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN DEPOSIT PREMIUM	-	-	-	(63,243)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	46,543	(3,839)	42,704	-
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN HEALTH CLAIMS PAYABLE	-	-	-	(99,040)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES	6,000	-	6,000	-
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	296,999	(31,824)	265,175	(32,305)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 804,504	\$ (24,820)	\$ 779,684	\$ 939,207

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008

	PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS	AGENCY FUNDS
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 18,020	\$ 105,605
INVESTMENTS	<u>541,258</u>	<u>387,998</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>559,278</u>	<u>493,603</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	-	24,307
OTHER LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>469,296</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>493,603</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
HELD IN TRUST FOR OTHER PURPOSES	<u>\$ 559,278</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</u>
<u>ADDITIONS:</u>	
NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS):	
INVESTMENT INCOME	\$ 33,003
<u>DEDUCTIONS:</u>	
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS	14,600
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	18,403
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	540,875
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 559,278

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying basic financial statements of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts (the Town) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant Town accounting policies:

A. Reporting Entity

Primary Government

The Town is a municipal corporation that is governed by a five member Board of Selectmen (the Board). The Board is responsible for appointing a Town Administrator whose responsibility is to manage the day to day operations. For financial reporting purposes, the Town has included all funds, organizations, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions and institutions. The Town has also considered all potential component units, blended or discretely presented, for which it is financially accountable as well as other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Town are such that exclusion would cause the basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations and discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the government. It has been determined that there are no component units (blended or discretely presented) for inclusion in the primary government's financial reporting entity.

Joint Venture

Municipal joint ventures pool resources to share the costs, risks and rewards of providing services to their participants, the general public or others. The Town is a participant in the following joint venture:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Annual Assessment</u>
Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District	To provide vocational education	65 Pleasant Street Upton, MA 01568	\$ 725,766

The Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District (the District) is governed by a thirteen (13) member school committee consisting of one (1) elected representative from the Town of Bellingham. The Town is indirectly liable for debt and other expenditures of the District and is assessed annually for its share of the operating and capital costs. Separate financial statements may be obtained by writing to the Treasurer of the District at the above address. The Town has an equity interest of approximately 4.90% in the joint venture.

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B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. *Governmental activities*, which are primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which are supported primarily by user fees and charges.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and displayed in a single column.

Major Fund Criteria

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Town or it meets the following criteria:

- a. If the total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of an individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding element (assets, liabilities, etc.) for all funds of that category or type (total governmental or total enterprise funds), *and*
- b. If the total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding element for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

Additionally, any other governmental or enterprise fund that management believes is particularly significant to the basic financial statements may be reported as a major fund.

Internal service funds and fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

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JUNE 30, 2008

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred. Real estate and personal property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a particular function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include the following:

- a. *Charges to customers* or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment.
- b. *Grants and contributions* that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or segment.
- c. *Grants and contributions* that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Taxes and other items not identifiable as program revenues are reported as general revenues.

For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions are charges between the general fund and the various enterprise funds. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the functions affected.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and the non current portion of compensated absences, and landfill post closure care costs which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with current expendable available resources.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, there are essentially two types of revenues. In one, moneys must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Town; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures incurred. In the other, moneys are virtually unrestricted and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

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The Town considers property taxes as available if they are due and collected within 60 days after fiscal year-end. Licenses and permits, user charges, fines and forfeitures, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- The *General fund* is the primary operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The *Stabilization fund* is a special revenue fund used to account for the accumulation of resources to provide general and/or capital reserves.
- The *Nonmajor Governmental funds* consist of other special revenue, capital projects and permanent funds that are aggregated and presented in the *nonmajor governmental funds* column on the governmental funds financial statements. The following describes the general use of these fund types:
 - The *Special Revenue fund* is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than permanent funds or capital projects funds) that are restricted by law or administrative action to expenditures for specified purposes.
 - The *Capital Projects fund* is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by enterprise and trust funds).
 - The *Permanent fund* is used to account for financial resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, may be used for purposes that support the governmental programs.

Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary funds principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The following major proprietary funds are reported:

- The *Water Enterprise fund* is used to account for water activities.
- The *Sanitation Enterprise fund* is used to account for the operations of the trash collection activities.

Additionally, the following proprietary fund type is reported:

- The *Internal Service fund* is used to account for the financing of services provided by one department to other departments or governmental units. This fund is used to account for risk financing activities related to municipal building insurance, worker's compensation, unemployment compensation, and health insurance.

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Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements

Fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity for others that cannot be used to support the governmental programs.

The following fiduciary fund types are reported:

- The *Private-Purpose trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the permanent fund (nonmajor governmental funds), under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.
- The *Agency fund* is used to account for assets held in a purely custodial capacity.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

For the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary and fiduciary fund accounting, all applicable Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued on or prior to November 30, 1989, are applied, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

D. Cash and Investments

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Cash and short term investments are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Investments are reported at fair value.

E. Accounts Receivable

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the government-wide financial statements and proprietary and fiduciary funds financial statements are reported under the accrual basis of accounting. The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the governmental funds financial statements are reported under the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Real Estate, Personal Property Taxes and Tax Liens

Real estate and personal property taxes are based on values assessed as of each January 1 and are normally due on the subsequent August 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1. Property taxes that remain unpaid after the respective due dates are subject to penalties and interest charges. By law, all taxable property in the Commonwealth must be assessed at 100% of fair market value. Once levied which is required to be at least 30 days prior to the due date, these taxes are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of levy. Based on the Town's experience, most property taxes are collected during the year in which they are assessed. Liening of properties on which taxes remain unpaid occurs annually. The Town ultimately has the right to foreclose on all properties where the taxes remain unpaid.

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A statewide property tax limitation statute known as "Proposition 2 ½" limits the amount of increase in property tax levy in any fiscal year. Generally, Proposition 2 ½ limits the total levy to an amount not greater than 2 ½ % of the total assessed value of all taxable property within the Town. Secondly, the tax levy cannot increase by more than 2 ½ % of the prior year's levy plus the taxes on property newly added to the tax rolls. Certain provisions of Proposition 2 ½ can be overridden by a Town-wide referendum.

Real estate receivables are secured via the tax lien process and are considered 100% collectible. Accordingly, an allowance for uncollectibles is not reported.

Personal property taxes cannot be secured through the lien process. The allowance of uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Motor Vehicle Excise

Motor vehicle excise taxes are assessed annually for each vehicle registered in the Town and are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy. The Commonwealth is responsible for reporting the number of vehicles registered and the fair values of those vehicles. The tax calculation is the fair value of the vehicle multiplied by \$25 per \$1,000 of value.

The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Water and Sewer

User fees are levied semi-annually based on individual meter readings and are subject to penalties and interest if they are not paid by the respective due date. Water and sewer liens are processed in December of every year and included as a lien on the property owner's tax bill. Water and sewer charges and related liens are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy.

Since the receivables are secured via the lien process, these accounts are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

Departmental and Other

Departmental and other receivables consist primarily of ambulance receivables and are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year accrued. The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Special Assessments

Governmental activities special assessments consist primarily of Sewer and Title V receivables which are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year accrued. Since the receivables are secured via the lien process, these assets are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

Intergovernmental

Various federal and state grants for operating and capital purposes are applied for and received annually. For non-expenditure driven grants, receivables are recognized as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. For expenditure driven grants, receivables are recognized when the qualifying expenditures are incurred and all other grant requirements are met. These receivables are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

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F. Inventories

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Inventories of the governmental funds and the water and sanitation enterprise funds are recorded as expenditures, at the time of purchase. Such inventories are not material in total to the basic financial statements, and therefore are not reported.

G. Capital Assets

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Capital assets, which include land, buildings, machinery and equipment, vehicles, infrastructure (e.g., water mains, roadways, and similar items), and construction in progress are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column of the government-wide financial statements, and the proprietary fund financial statements. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost, or at estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Except for the capital assets of the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements, construction period interest is capitalized on constructed capital assets if material.

All purchases and construction costs in excess of \$15,000 are capitalized at the date of acquisition or construction, respectively, with expected useful lives of five years or greater.

Capital assets (excluding land and construction in progress) are depreciated on a straight-line basis. The estimated useful lives of capital assets are as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Life (in years)</u>
Buildings	40
Machinery and equipment	5-10
Vehicles	5-15
Infrastructure	50

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized and are treated as expenses when incurred.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Capital asset costs are recorded as expenditures in the fiscal year of purchase for the various funds.

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H. Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of its operations, transactions occur between and within individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within governmental funds and internal service funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net assets. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of net assets as "internal balances".

Fund Financial Statements

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within funds are *not* eliminated from the individual fund statements. Receivables and payables resulting from these transactions are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the balance sheet.

I. Interfund Transfers

During the course of its operations, resources are permanently reallocated between and within funds. These transactions are reported as operating transfers in and operating transfers out.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Operating transfers between and within governmental funds and internal service funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net assets. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of activities as "Transfers, net".

Fund Financial Statements

Operating transfers between and within funds are *not* eliminated from the individual fund statements and are reported as operating transfers in and operating transfers out.

J. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue at the governmental fund financial statement level represents billed receivables that do not meet the available criterion in accordance with the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Deferred revenue is recognized as revenue in the conversion to the government-wide (full accrual) financial statements.

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K. Net Assets and Fund Equity

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Assets)

Net assets are classified into three components:

- a. *Invested in capital assets, net of related debt* – consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. *Restricted net assets* – Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Net assets have been “restricted” for the following:

- *Streets* represent amounts committed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the repair and/or construction of streets.
 - *Permanent funds -expendable* represents amounts held in trust for which the expenditures are restricted by various trust agreements.
 - *Other specific purposes* represent restrictions placed on assets from outside parties.
- c. *Unrestricted net assets* – All other net assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets, net of related debt.”

Fund Financial Statements (Fund Balances)

- a. *Fund balances* consist of funds that are reserved for amounts, that are not available for appropriation, that are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific future use, and designations of fund balances that represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Fund balances have been reserved for the following:

- *Encumbrances and continuing appropriations* represents amounts obligated under purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for expenditures that are being carried over to the ensuing fiscal year.

Fund balances have been designated for the following:

- *Subsequent year's expenditures* represents amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 2009 operating budget.
- b. *Undesignated fund balances* – all other fund balances that do not meet the definition of “reserved” or “designated.”

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L. Long-term debt

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net assets. Material bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

The face amount of governmental funds long-term debt is reported as other financing sources. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the current period. Bond premiums are reported as other financing sources and bond discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual bond proceeds received, are reported as general government expenditures.

M. Investment Income

Excluding the permanent funds, investment income derived from major and nonmajor governmental funds is legally assigned to the general fund unless otherwise directed by Massachusetts General Laws (MGL).

N. Compensated Absences

Employees are granted sick and vacation leave in varying amounts. Upon retirement, termination or death, certain employees are compensated for unused sick and vacation leave (subject to certain limitations) at their then current rates of pay.

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

The total amount to be paid in future years is presented in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net assets. The liability for vacation leave is based on the amount earned but not used; for sick leave, it is based on the amount accumulated at the balance sheet date (vesting method).

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

The portion of the liability related to unused sick and vacation time that has matured or is due as of June 30, 2008 is recorded in the governmental fund financial statement.

O. Use of Estimates

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The preparation of the accompanying financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

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P. Total Column

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The total column presented on the government-wide financial statements represents consolidated financial information.

Fund Financial Statements

The total column on the fund financial statements is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column is not comparable to the consolidated financial information.

NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Basis of Accounting

Pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town adopts an annual budget for the general fund. The budgets for all departments and operations of the Town, except that of the public schools, are prepared under the direction of the Town Administrator. The School Department budget is prepared under the direction of the School Committee. The level of expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations for each department or undertaking in the following categories: (1) salaries and wages; (2) ordinary maintenance; and (3) capital outlays.

The majority of appropriations are non-continuing which lapse at the end of each fiscal year. Others are continuing appropriations for which the governing body has authorized that an unspent balance from a prior fiscal year be carried forward and made available for spending in the current fiscal year. These carry forwards are included as part of the subsequent fiscal year's original budget.

Original and supplemental appropriations are enacted upon by a Town Meeting vote. Management may not amend the budget without seeking the approval of the governing body. The Town's Finance Committee can legally transfer funds from its reserve fund to other appropriations within the budget without seeking Town Meeting approvals. The original fiscal year 2008 approved budget authorized \$45,219,392 in current year appropriations and other amounts to be raised and \$1,468,285 in encumbrances and appropriations carried over from previous fiscal years. Supplemental appropriations of \$494,621 were approved at one Special Town Meeting during fiscal year 2008.

The Chief Financial Officer has the responsibility to ensure that budgetary controls are maintained and monitored through the accounting system.

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B. Budgetary -GAAP Reconciliation

For budgetary financial reporting purposes, the Uniform Municipal Accounting System basis of accounting (established by the Commonwealth) is followed, which differs from the GAAP basis of accounting. A reconciliation of budgetary-basis to GAAP-basis results for the general fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, is presented below:

Net change in fund balance - budgetary basis	\$ (214,093)
Basis of accounting differences:	
Increase in revenue for on-behalf payments - MTRS	3,630,429
Increase in expenditures for on-behalf payments - MTRS	(3,630,429)
Increase in revenue for the MWPAT subsidy	41,009
Increase in expenditures for the MWPAT subsidy	<u>(41,009)</u>
Net change in fund balance - GAAP basis	<u><u>\$ (214,093)</u></u>

C. Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, actual expenditures exceeded appropriations for snow removal. This over-expenditure will be funded by available funds during fiscal year 2009.

D. Deficit Fund Balances

Several individual fund deficits exist within the special revenue and capital projects funds. These individual deficits will be eliminated through subsequent fiscal year budget transfers, grants or proceeds from long-term debt during fiscal year 2009.

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NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

1) Deposits

a) Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55, limits the deposits "in a bank or trust company, or banking company to an amount not exceeding sixty percent (60%) of the capital and surplus of such bank or trust company or banking company, unless satisfactory security is given to it by such bank or trust company or banking company for such excess." The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

As of June 30, 2008, \$15,103,700 of the Town's bank balances of \$20,631,893 were exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured, uncollateralized, or collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department not in the Town's name.

2) Investments

a) Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. For short-term investments that were purchased using surplus revenues, Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55, limits the Town's investments to the top rating issued by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (NRSROs). Presented below is the actual rating as of year end for each investment type of the Town.

Investment type	Fair value	Minimum Legal Rating	Exempt from Disclosure	Rating as of Year end
				AAA
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 3,517,887	N/A	\$ 3,517,887	\$ -
Federal Agency Securities	577,519	N/A	-	577,519
Mutual Funds	15,994	N/A	-	15,994
Total Investments	<u>\$ 4,111,400</u>			<u>\$ 593,513</u>

b) Custodial Credit Risk

For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of a failure by the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral security that are in possession of an outside party. Of the investments in debt securities listed above, the Town does not have any custodial credit risk exposure because the related securities are collateralized mortgage obligations. The Town does not have an investment policy for custodial credit risk.

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c) Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk of changes in market interest rates which will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the risk of its fair value to change with the market interest rates. The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Town's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is as follows:

		Investment maturities (in years)
<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair value</u>	<u>1-5</u>
<u>Debt Securities:</u>		
Federal Agency Bonds	<u>\$ 577,519</u>	<u>\$ 577,519</u>
<u>Other Investments:</u>		
Mutual Funds	15,994	
Certificates of Deposit	<u>3,517,887</u>	
Total Other Investments	<u>3,533,881</u>	
Total Investments	\$ 4,111,400	

d) Concentration of Credit Risk

The Town places no limit on the amount the government may invest in any one issuer. More than 5% of the Town's investments are in the following securities:

Issuer	Percentage of Total Investments
Federal Agency Bonds	14%

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NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES

The receivables at June 30, 2008 for the Town's individual major, nonmajor governmental funds, and internal service funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

<u>Receivables:</u>	<u>Gross Amount</u>	<u>Allowance for Uncollectibles</u>	<u>Net Amount</u>
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$ 535,727	\$ (25,782)	\$ 509,945
Tax liens	743,888	-	743,888
Motor vehicles excise taxes	248,652	(24,865)	223,787
User fees	112,118	-	112,118
Departmental & other	315,989	(128,686)	187,303
Intergovernmental	32,995,375	-	32,995,375
Special assessments	895,309	-	895,309
Total	<u>\$ 35,847,058</u>	<u>\$ (179,333)</u>	<u>\$ 35,667,725</u>

The receivables at June 30, 2008 for the enterprise funds consist of the following:

<u>Receivables:</u>	<u>Gross Amount</u>	<u>Allowance for Uncollectibles</u>	<u>Net Amount</u>
<i>Water</i>			
User fees	\$ 254,154	\$ -	\$ 254,154
<i>Sanitation</i>			
User fees	154,488	-	154,488
Total	<u>\$ 408,642</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 408,642</u>

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Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with revenues that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenue reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

Deferred Revenue Analysis

<u>Receivable Type:</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$ 509,945	\$ -	\$ 509,945
Tax liens	743,888	-	743,888
Motor vehicle excise taxes	223,787	-	223,787
User fees	-	112,118	112,118
Departmental and other	30,021	157,282	187,303
Intergovernmental	32,767,915	123,023	32,890,938
Special assessments	549,724	345,585	895,309
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	<u>\$ 34,825,280</u>	<u>\$ 738,008</u>	<u>\$ 35,563,288</u>

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NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, was as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<u>Capital assets not being depreciated:</u>				
Land	\$ 12,091,807	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 12,106,807
Construction in progress	<u>1,647,121</u>	<u>1,297,716</u>	<u>(1,040,273)</u>	<u>1,904,564</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>13,738,928</u>	<u>1,312,716</u>	<u>(1,040,273)</u>	<u>14,011,371</u>
<u>Capital assets being depreciated:</u>				
Buildings	64,835,183	219,615	1,040,273	66,095,071
Machinery and equipment	6,258,802	110,242	-	6,369,044
Vehicles	3,241,944	581,265	-	3,823,209
Infrastructure	<u>11,965,831</u>	<u>175,579</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,141,410</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>86,301,760</u>	<u>1,086,701</u>	<u>1,040,273</u>	<u>88,428,734</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	(21,625,684)	(1,478,881)	-	(23,104,565)
Machinery and equipment	(3,597,847)	(585,564)	-	(4,183,411)
Vehicles	(2,115,917)	(261,312)	-	(2,377,229)
Infrastructure	<u>(5,474,904)</u>	<u>(454,348)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,929,252)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(32,814,352)</u>	<u>(2,780,105)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(35,594,457)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>53,487,408</u>	<u>(1,693,404)</u>	<u>1,040,273</u>	<u>52,834,277</u>
Total governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 67,226,336</u>	<u>\$ (380,688)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 66,845,648</u>

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<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<u>Capital assets not being depreciated:</u>				
Land	\$ 3,510,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,510,300
Construction in progress	1,968,645	773,237	(18,429)	2,723,453
Total capital assets not being depreciated	5,478,945	773,237	(18,429)	6,233,753
<u>Capital assets being depreciated:</u>				
Buildings	23,100	-	-	23,100
Machinery and equipment	1,156,428	-	-	1,156,428
Vehicles	305,077	-	-	305,077
Infrastructure	9,394,732	46,534	18,429	9,459,695
Total capital assets being depreciated	10,879,337	46,534	18,429	10,944,300
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	(7,219)	(577)	-	(7,796)
Machinery and equipment	(343,173)	(100,024)	-	(443,197)
Vehicles	(163,746)	(20,338)	-	(184,084)
Infrastructure	(2,384,313)	(189,094)	-	(2,573,407)
Total accumulated depreciation	(2,898,451)	(310,033)	-	(3,208,484)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	7,980,886	(263,499)	18,429	7,735,816
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 13,459,831</u>	<u>\$ 509,738</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 13,969,569</u>

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Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	
General government	\$ 163,095
Public safety	303,342
Education	1,713,059
Public works	537,801
Human services	51,195
Culture and recreation	<u>11,613</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 2,780,105</u>
<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>	
Water	\$ 310,033
Sanitation	<u>-</u>
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	<u>\$ 310,033</u>

Construction Commitments

The Town has an active construction project as of June 30, 2008. At year end the Town's commitment is as follows:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Spent to Date</u>	<u>Remaining Commitment</u>
Roadway Improvement - Hartford Ave.	<u>\$ 429,532</u>	<u>\$ 61,468</u>

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NOTE 6 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, are summarized as follows:

	Operating Transfers In:				
	General Fund	Stabilization Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Water Enterprise Fund	Total
<u>Operating Transfers Out:</u>					
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 407,471	\$ 882,471 (1)
Stabilization Fund	785,000	-	-	-	785,000 (2)
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	758,965	-	-	-	758,965 (2)
Water Enterprise Fund	140,000	-	41,000	-	181,000 (2)
Total	<u>\$ 1,683,965</u>	<u>\$ 300,000</u>	<u>\$ 216,000</u>	<u>\$ 407,471</u>	<u>\$ 2,607,436</u>

(1) Represents budgeted transfers to the stabilization fund, various nonmajor governmental funds, and the water enterprise fund.

(2) Represents various budgeted transfers to supplement the operating budget.

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NOTE 7 – SHORT -TERM FINANCING

Under state law, and with the appropriate authorization, the Town is authorized to borrow funds on a temporary basis as follows:

- To fund current operations prior to the collection of revenues by issuing revenue anticipation notes (RANS).
- To fund grants prior to reimbursement by issuing grant anticipation notes (GANS).
- To fund Capital project costs incurred prior to selling permanent debt by issuing bond anticipation notes (BANS).
- To fund current project costs and other approved expenditures incurred, that are approved to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth, through the issuance of State Aid anticipated notes (SANS).

Short-term loans are general obligations of the Town and maturity dates are governed by statute. Interest expenditures for short-term borrowings are accounted for in the general fund.

The following is a summary of changes in short-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2008:

Type	Purpose	Rate (%)	Due Date	Balance at June 30, 2007	Renewed/ Issued	Retired/ Redeemed	Balance at June 30, 2008
<u>Governmental Funds</u>							
BAN	Multi-purpose	4.00	11/15/2007	\$ 900,000	\$ -	\$ (900,000)	\$ -
BAN	Multi-purpose	4.00	6/26/2008	-	900,000	(900,000)	-
BAN	Multi-purpose	2.85	6/26/2008	-	770,000	(770,000)	-
Total Governmental Funds				<u>\$ 900,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,670,000</u>	<u>\$ (2,570,000)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<u>Water Enterprise Fund</u>							
BAN	Multi-purpose	4.00	11/15/2007	\$ 1,365,000	\$ -	\$ (1,365,000)	\$ -
BAN	Multi-purpose	4.00	6/26/2008	-	1,365,000	(1,365,000)	-
BAN	Standpipe Rehabilitation	2.85	6/26/2008	-	900,000	(900,000)	-
Total Water Enterprise Fund				<u>\$ 1,365,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,265,000</u>	<u>\$ (3,630,000)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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NOTE 8 – LONG-TERM DEBT

The Town is subject to a dual-level, general debt limit: the normal debt limit and the double debt limit. Such limits are equal to 5% and 10%, respectively, of the valuation of taxable property in the Town as last equalized by the Commonwealth's Department of Revenue. Debt may be authorized up to the normal debt limit without state approval. Authorizations under the double debt limit however, require the approval of the Commonwealth's Emergency Finance Board. Additionally, there are many categories of general long-term debt which are exempt from the debt limit but are subject to other limitations.

The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2008:

Bonds and Notes Payable Schedule – Governmental Funds

Project	Interest Rate (%)	Outstanding at June 30, 2007	Issued	Redeemed	Outstanding at June 30, 2008
Sewer Construction	4.92%	\$ 1,084,184	\$ -	\$ 229,816	\$ 854,368
School Remodeling	5.63%	150,000	-	20,000	130,000
Landfill Closure	4.76%	500,000	-	125,000	375,000
School Roof	4.76%	136,000	-	25,000	111,000
Tile V Septic	Var.%	136,772	-	10,539	126,233
Sewer	Var.%	268,832	-	64,674	204,158
School	4.76%	23,985,000	-	1,225,000	22,760,000
Senior Center	4.68%	630,000	-	45,000	585,000
Roads	4.01%	165,000	-	45,000	120,000
School Construction	4.84%	9,905,000	-	465,000	9,440,000
Ambulance	1.68%	40,000	-	40,000	-
Sewer	1.68%	2,049,200	-	267,900	1,781,300
School	1.68%	130,800	-	17,100	113,700
Tile V Septic	Var.%	160,008	-	10,020	149,988
Land Acquisition	3.96%	1,010,000	-	57,500	952,500
Town Hall Construction	3.96%	1,100,000	-	62,500	1,037,500
Roads	3.96%	960,000	-	120,000	840,000
Tile V Septic	Var.%	285,000	-	15,000	270,000
Multiple Purposes	3.74%	-	1,863,000	-	1,863,000
Total		<u>\$ 42,695,796</u>	<u>\$ 1,863,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,845,049</u>	<u>\$ 41,713,747</u>

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The annual debt service requirements for principal and interest for Governmental bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2008 are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2009	\$ 3,057,880	\$ 1,955,270	\$ 5,013,150
2010	3,138,551	1,823,862	4,962,413
2011	3,216,843	1,688,606	4,905,449
2012	3,066,630	1,541,728	4,608,358
2013	2,920,334	1,405,668	4,326,002
2014-2018	14,827,343	4,928,512	19,755,855
2019-2023	11,026,166	1,306,235	12,332,401
2024-2028	<u>460,000</u>	<u>34,923</u>	<u>494,923</u>
Total	<u>\$ 41,713,747</u>	<u>\$ 14,684,804</u>	<u>\$ 56,398,551</u>

Massachusetts School Building Authority Reimbursements

Chapter 645 of the Act of 1948 as amended ("Chapter 645") created a statewide school building assistance program. Pursuant to this program, cities and towns issued bonds for eligible school building projects and were reimbursed over a period of years by the Commonwealth according to a statutory percentage for such city or town.

Legislation enacted as part of the Commonwealth's Fiscal 2001 budget repealed 645 and created a new school building assistance program codified as Chapter 70B of the Massachusetts General Laws. Among other changes, the new program includes grants for alternatives to construction and calculates grants for each project based on a number of factors. The new legislation does not affect the reimbursement percentages for bonds previously issued under Chapter 645, and the grants for certain "grandfathered" projects will be based on the statutory percentages provided for in Chapter 645.

The Town has been approved for a 76% percent state school construction grant through the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) to cover eligible project costs, including debt service associated with the financing of these projects, subject to annual appropriation by the state legislature. The Town received \$2,461,783 from scheduled annual payments in FY 2008 from the MSBA for completed school construction projects.

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Bonds and Notes Payable Schedule – Water Enterprise Fund

Project	Interest Rate (%)	Outstanding at June 30, 2007	Issued	Redeemed	Outstanding at June 30, 2008
Water Filtration	4.92%	\$ 472,532	\$ -	\$ 98,888	\$ 373,644
Water	4.92%	26,252	-	5,494	20,758
Well	4.92%	32,032	-	5,802	26,230
Well Construction	4.76%	264,000	-	50,000	214,000
Water	2.52%	405,000	-	65,000	340,000
Water	2.47%	210,000	-	35,000	175,000
Water	3.96%	1,080,000	-	130,000	950,000
Water	3.74%	-	2,265,000	-	2,265,000
Total		<u>\$ 2,489,816</u>	<u>\$ 2,265,000</u>	<u>\$ 390,184</u>	<u>\$ 4,364,632</u>

The annual debt service requirements for principal and interest for water enterprise fund bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2008 are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2009	\$ 506,973	\$ 166,571	\$ 673,544
2010	495,384	145,748	641,132
2011	473,275	126,100	599,375
2012	484,000	106,338	590,338
2013	320,000	90,987	410,987
2014-2018	840,000	337,387	1,177,387
2019-2023	700,000	193,950	893,950
2024-2028	545,000	57,887	602,887
Total	<u>\$ 4,364,632</u>	<u>\$ 1,224,968</u>	<u>\$ 5,589,600</u>

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Loans Authorized and Unissued

As of June 30, 2008, the Town has loans authorized and unissued as follows:

Description	Date Authorized	Amount
Failing Sewer Systems	5/24/1995	\$ 50,000
Remediated Sewer	5/23/2007	200,000
Keogh School Roof Replacement	10/10/2007	750
		<u>\$ 250,750</u>

Changes in Long-term Liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008:

Governmental Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 42,695,796	\$ 1,863,000	\$ (2,845,049)	\$ 41,713,747	\$ 3,057,880
Compensated absences	1,121,109	107,771	-	1,228,880	85,500
Landfill postclosure care costs	90,000	-	(5,000)	85,000	5,000
OPEB (1)	-	2,896,269	(740,180)	2,156,089	-
	<u>\$ 43,906,905</u>	<u>\$ 4,867,040</u>	<u>\$ (3,590,229)</u>	<u>\$ 45,183,716</u>	<u>\$ 3,148,380</u>
Total governmental activities long-term liabilities					
	<u>\$ 43,906,905</u>	<u>\$ 4,867,040</u>	<u>\$ (3,590,229)</u>	<u>\$ 45,183,716</u>	<u>\$ 3,148,380</u>

Business-Type Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 2,489,816	\$ 2,265,000	\$ (390,184)	\$ 4,364,632	\$ 506,973
Compensated absences	97,500	6,000	-	103,500	15,500
	<u>\$ 2,587,316</u>	<u>\$ 2,271,000</u>	<u>\$ (390,184)</u>	<u>\$ 4,468,132</u>	<u>\$ 522,473</u>
Total business-type activities long-term liabilities					
	<u>\$ 2,587,316</u>	<u>\$ 2,271,000</u>	<u>\$ (390,184)</u>	<u>\$ 4,468,132</u>	<u>\$ 522,473</u>

(1) The Town elected to adopt GASB Statement 45 early. The OPEB is discussed further in **Note 11** and additional information is reported in required supplementary information.

The governmental activities long-term liabilities are generally liquidated by the general fund.

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Overlapping Debt

The Town pays assessments under formulas which include debt service payments to other governmental agencies providing services to the Town, (commonly referred to as overlapping debt). The following summary sets forth the long-term debt of such governmental agencies and the estimated share being financed by the Town as of June 30, 2008:

Agency	Total Long- Term Debt Outstanding	Town's Estimated Share	Town's Indirect Debt
Norfolk County	\$ 1,100,000	2.076%	\$ 22,836
Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District			
School Construction Bonds	<u>6,900,000</u>	4.90%	<u>338,100</u>
	<u>\$ 8,000,000</u>		<u>\$ 360,936</u>

NOTE 9 – STABILIZATION FUND

At June 30, 2008, \$1,080,720 has been set aside in the stabilization fund, which is classified as a major fund in the governmental funds financial statements. The stabilization fund balance can be used for general and/or capital purposes as approved by Town Meeting vote.

NOTE 10 – RISK FINANCING

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employee's health and life; and natural disasters.

Buildings are fully insured against fire, theft, and natural disaster (except for losses due to flood or earthquake) to the extent that losses exceed \$1,000 per incident. Buildings are fully insured against flood and earthquake damage, to the extent that losses exceed \$25,000 per incident.

The Town's workers compensation program is premium-based. The policy is limited to Massachusetts Statutory Benefits.

The Town is insured for general liability; however, Chapter 258 of the Massachusetts General Laws limits the Town's liability to a maximum of \$100,000 per claim in all matters except in actions relating to federal civil rights, eminent domain and breach of contract. Such claims are charged to the general fund. There were no such claims in 2008.

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The Town has a variety of contributory health care options including self-insured and third party insured health care programs for its employees and retirees. There are 453 employees and retirees who participate in the Town's health care programs. For those 265 employees and retirees electing a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), the town contributes 80% of the costs. For those 60 employees and retirees over 65 years old electing a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), the town contributes 50% of the costs. For those 5 employees and retirees electing the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Master Health Plus Plan (self-insured full indemnity plan), the Town contributes either 65% or 75% of the premium costs depending on whether the employee/retiree is on the town-side or school-side. For those 120 employees and retirees over 65 years old electing the premium-based supplementary Medex insurance, the Town contributes 50% of the costs. Stop loss insurance is carried on all self-insured health care claims in excess of \$110,000 individually.

The Town's health insurance activities are accounted for in the internal service fund where revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred. Liabilities for self-insured claims are reported when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated. These losses include an estimate of claims that have been incurred but not recorded. As of June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007, the only such liabilities are those related to the Town's self-insured health care program. The Town established a liability based on historical trends for the previous fiscal years. Changes in the self-insured liability account in fiscal year 2008 and 2007 were as follows:

	Healthcare	
	2008	2007
Liability at beginning of fiscal year	\$ 793,138	\$ 687,844
Claims incurred for current fiscal year and Changes in provisions for prior year	5,982,170	5,726,320
Claims payments for current fiscal year	<u>(6,081,209)</u>	<u>(5,621,026)</u>
Liability at end of fiscal year	<u>\$ 694,099</u>	<u>\$ 793,138</u>

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NOTE 11. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, requires the following disclosures with regard to the retiree medical, dental, and life insurance benefits:

Plan Description. Town of Bellingham Retiree Welfare Plan (BRWP) is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by the Town of Bellingham. BRWP provides medical, dental and life insurance benefits to eligible retirees and their spouses. Town meeting vote is the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Town. The Town has accepted various sections of Massachusetts General laws Chapter 32B to provide ½ of the premium cost of retirees' health and life insurance costs.

Funding Policy. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Town are established and may be amended by local by-law. The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements. For Fiscal Year 2008, total Town premiums plus implicit costs for the retiree medical program are \$740,180.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The Town's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the *annual required contribution of the employer (ARC)*, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASBS No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the fiscal year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Town's net OPEB obligation to the plan:

Annual required contribution	\$ 2,751,799
Interest on net OPEB obligation	144,470
Adjustment to annual required contribution (ARC)	<u>-</u>
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	2,896,269
Contributions made	<u>740,180</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	2,156,089
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>-</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	<u><u>\$ 2,156,089</u></u>

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The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2008 and the two preceding years were as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
6/30/2006	N/A	N/A	N/A
6/30/2007	N/A	N/A	N/A
6/30/2008	\$ 2,896,269	25.60%	\$ 2,156,089

Funded Status and Funding Progress. As of July 1, 2007, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 0.0% funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$26.373 million, and the actuarial value of assets was \$0.0 million, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$26.373 million. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$20.187 million, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 130.6%.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions. Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the July 1, 2007, actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit actuarial cost method was used. Under this method, the normal cost and actuarial liability are both based on an accrual of projected benefits over the period for which benefits are accrued. The normal cost is the actuarial present value of one year's benefit accrual on this basis. The actuarial accrued liability is the actuarial present value of the projected benefit times the ration of past service to total service. The actuarial assumptions included a 5.25% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), which is a blended rate of the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets and on the employer's own investments calculated based on the funded level of the plan at the valuation date, and an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 11% percent initially, reduced by decrements to an ultimate rate of 5 percent after six years. Both rates included a 3.5% inflation assumption. The actuarial value of assets was determined using market value. The UAAL is being amortized as a level dollar amount over 30 years at transition. The remaining amortization period at July 1, 2007, was 30 years.

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NOTE 12 – PENSION PLAN

A. Plan Descriptions

The Town contributes to the Norfolk County Contributory Retirement System (the “System”), a cost sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan administered by the Norfolk County Retirement Board. Substantially, all employees are members of the “System” except for public school teachers and certain school administrators who are members of the Massachusetts Teachers’ Retirement System (MTRS) to which the Town does not contribute.

The “System” and the MTRS are contributory defined benefit plans and membership in both the “System” and the MTRS is mandatory upon commencement of employment for all permanent, full-time employees. The “System” and the MTRS provide retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries.

Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the plan, and grant cost-of-living increases, to the State legislature. The “System” issues a publicly available financial report, which can be obtained through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (“PERAC”), One Ashburton Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02108.

B. Funding Policies

Norfolk County Contributory Retirement System

Plan members are required to contribute to the “System” at rates ranging from 5% to 11% of annual covered compensation. The Town is required to pay into the “System”, its share of the remaining system-wide, actuarially determined, contribution plus administration costs, which are apportioned among the employers, based on active covered payroll. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts reimburses the “system” for a portion of the benefit payments for the cost of living increases. The contributions to the “System” for years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$1,379,759, \$1,374,851, and \$1,177,162, respectively, which were equal to its required contributions for each of these years.

Massachusetts Teachers’ Retirement System

Plan members (at varying rates of annual covered compensation) and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts fund contributions to the MTRS. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts contributed “on-behalf” payments to the MTRS totaling \$3,630,429 for fiscal year 2008. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 24, these on-behalf” payments have been recorded in the general fund as intergovernmental revenues and pension expenditures.

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NOTE 13 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Town participates in a number of federal award programs. Although the grant programs have been audited in accordance with the provisions of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 through June 30, 2008, these programs are still subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although it is believed the amount, if any, would not be material.

The Town's landfill was closed in 1996 by order of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The DEP approved the capping construction of the landfill in December 1996. The Town is responsible for post-closure monitoring of the site for thirty years (17 years remaining), and the estimated liability has been recorded in the Statement of Net Assets, Governmental Activities. The \$85,000 reported as landfill post-closure liability at June 30, 2008 is based on what it would cost to perform all post-closure care at June 30, 2008. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology or changes in regulations.

Various legal actions and claims are pending. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual litigated matters is not always predictable. Although the amount of liability, if any, at June 30, 2008, cannot be ascertained, management believes any resulting liability should not materially affect the financial position at June 30, 2008.

NOTE 14 – GREATER ATTLEBOROUGH TAUNTON REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

The Town participates in the Greater Attleborough Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA) Dial-A-Ride program. The Town receives monthly reimbursements for the cost of the program net of any donations received. The following table summarizes the program revenue and expenses for the fiscal year 2008.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Dial-A-Ride Program costs	\$ 82,365
Less: Donations	<u>(7,497)</u>
GATRA reimbursements received/applied for	<u><u>\$ 74,868</u></u>

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NOTE 15 – IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS

During fiscal year 2008, the following GASB pronouncements were implemented:

The GASB issued **Statement #43**, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, was implemented in Fiscal 2008. Since there is no legally established separate trust for the postemployment benefit plan this pronouncement did not impact the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #45**, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, was implemented in Fiscal 2008. This pronouncement requires additional disclosure and does impact the basic financial statements (See **Note 11** and required supplementary information (RSI)).

The GASB issued **Statement #48**, *Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues* was implemented in FY2008. Since the Town does not sell or pledge receivable or future revenues, this pronouncement did not impact the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #50**, *Pension Disclosures – an amendment of GASB Statements No. 25 and No. 27*, was implemented in FY2008. Since the Town does not operate its' own pension plan, this pronouncement will not impact the basic financial statements.

Future GASB Pronouncements:

The GASB issued **Statement #49**, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pollution Remediation Obligations* which is required to be implemented in FY2009. Management does not believe that there are any pollution remediation obligations that will require disclosure and this pronouncement will not have an impact on the basic financial statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #51**, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets* which is required to be implemented in FY2010. Management believes this pronouncement will require additional disclosure, but will not have a material impact on the basic financial statements.

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

Schedules of Funding Progress and Employer Contributions

The following schedules are presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45:

Projected Schedule of Funding Progress:

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) - Entry Age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll [(b - a)/c]
7/1/2007	\$ -	\$ 26,373,114	\$ 26,373,114	0.0%	\$ 20,187,489	130.6%

Schedule of Employer Contributions (1):

Year Ended June 30	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed *	Net OPEB Obligation
2008	\$2,896,269	25.6%	\$ 2,156,089

(1) A three-year display will be shown on a go forward basis.

* Based on expected premium payments.

The required information presented above was determined as part of the actuarial valuations at the dates indicated. Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows:

Valuation date	July 1, 2007
Discount Rate	5.25%
Medical Trend	11% grading down to 5% in Year 2014 and thereafter
Cost Method	Projected Unit Credit Cost Method
Amortization Method	Level dollar amount over 30 years at transition
Remaining Amortization Period	30
Mortality	RP-2000 Table for males RP-2000 Table for females

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

Turnover

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
0	15.0%	15.0%
10	5.4%	5.4%
20	2.0%	2.0%
30	0.0%	0.0%

Retirement Age

<u>Age</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
50	1.0%	1.5%
51	1.0%	1.5%
52	1.0%	2.0%
53	1.0%	2.5%
54	2.0%	2.5%
55	2.0%	5.5%
56	2.5%	6.5%
57	2.5%	6.5%
58	5.0%	6.5%
59	6.5%	6.5%
60	12.0%	5.0%
61	20.0%	13.0%
62	30.0%	15.0%
63	25.0%	12.5%
64	22.0%	18.0%
65	40.0%	15.0%
66	25.0%	20.0%
67	25.0%	20.0%
68	30.0%	25.0%
69	30.0%	20.0%
70	100.0%	100.0%

Participation

It was assumed that 80% of the employees covered under the active plan on the day before retirement would enroll in the retiree medical and dental plans upon retirement. All eligible employees were assumed to be covered under the retiree life insurance program.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

AUDITORS' REPORT AS REQUIRED BY
OMB CIRCULAR A-133
AND *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*
AND RELATED INFORMATION

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TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

AUDITORS' REPORT AS REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133
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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Town of the Bellingham, Massachusetts' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over compliance.

A *control deficiency* in an entity's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated January 29, 2009. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming our opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Selectmen, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

R. E. Brown & Company

January 29, 2009

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

PROGRAM GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM OR CLUSTER TITLE	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IDENTIFYING NUMBER	FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAMS FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
TITLE I - FY 2008	84.010	305-269-8-0025-I	\$ 67,534
TITLE I - FY 2007	84.010	305-217-7-0025-H	19,605
SPED 94-142 PROJECT ASSIST - FY 2008	84.027	240-161-8-0025-I	619,040
SPED 94-142 PROJECT ASSIST - FY 2007	84.027	240-208-7-0025-H	28,606
MIDDLE SCHOOL READING PROGRAM - FY 2007	84.027	267-027-7-0025-H	323
SPED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - FY 200884	.027	274-109-8-0025-I	15,592
SPED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - FY 200784	.027	274-216-7-0025-H	3,440
EARLY CHILDHOOD - FY 2008	84.173	262 BELLINGHAM PUB	28,205
EARLY CHILDHOOD - FY 2007	84.173	262 BELLINGHAM PUB	1,595
DRUG FREE SCHOOLS - FY 2008	84.186	331-139-8-0025-I	6,444
DRUG FREE SCHOOLS - FY 2007	84.186	331-210-7-0025-H	99
STATE GRANTS FOR INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS - TITLE V - FY 2008	84.298	302-204-8-0025-I	1,574
STATE GRANTS FOR INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS - TITLE V - FY 2007	84.298	302-253-7-0025-H	183
ENHANCED EDUCATION THROUGH TECHNOLOGY - FY 2008	84.318	160-087-8-0025-I	500
TITLE IIA - TEACHER QUALITY - FY 2008	84.367	140-225-8-0025-I	44,950
TITLE IIA - TEACHER QUALITY - FY 2007	84.367	140-291-7-0025-H	12,310
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			<u>850,000</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUREAU OF NUTRITION			
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM	10.555	11-099	<u>216,519</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			<u>216,519</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			
PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT			
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT	14.228	CDF II #5672	<u>91,712</u>
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			<u>91,712</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$ 1,158,231</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting policies and financial reporting practices permitted for municipalities in Massachusetts are prescribed by the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) promulgated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue. The significant accounting policies followed by the Town are as follows:

A. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the Federal grant transactions of the Town. The receipts and proceeds from Federal grants are recorded on the modified accrual basis whereby revenue is recognized when it becomes available and measurable. Disbursements of Federal grant funds are recorded on the accrual basis.

II. SCOPE OF AUDIT

The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts (the Town) is a governmental agency established by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. All operations related to the Town's Federal grant programs, (the Department of Agriculture, Department of Education, and Department of Housing and Urban Development), are included in the scope of the OMB Circular A-133 Audit Requirements for audits of state and local governments (the Single Audit). The Department of Education has been designated as the Town's oversight agency for the Single Audit.

III. PERIOD AUDITED

Single audit testing procedures were performed for Town Federal grant transactions during the year ended June 30, 2008.

IV. SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The Town accounts for local, state and federal expenditures of the National School Lunch program in one combined fund. Program expenditures in the accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards represent federal reimbursements for meals provided during fiscal 2008. Non-cash contributions of commodities under the Food Distribution program are received under a State distribution formula and are valued at federally published wholesale prices for purposes of this schedule.

V. SUBRECIPIENTS

The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts passed no federal awards through to sub-recipients during the period under audit.

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 29, 2009. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Selectmen, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

R. E. Brown & Company

January 29, 2009

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

A. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the basic financial statements of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts.
2. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the basic financial statements are reported in the report on the basic financial statements.
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the basic financial statements of the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts were disclosed during the audit.
4. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of major federal award programs are reported in the report on compliance with requirements applicable to each major program and on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.
6. There are no audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 reported in this Schedule.
7. The program tested as a major program included:

<u>Name</u>	<u>CFDA No.</u>
Special Education - Grants to States & Early Childhood Allocation Cluster of Programs	84.027 & 84.173

8. The threshold used for distinguishing between **Type A** and **B** programs was \$300,000.
9. The Town of Bellingham, Massachusetts qualified as a low-risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS – BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT – NONE.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS – MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT – NONE.

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

There were no uncorrected prior year findings that affect the current audit.



Commission on Disability

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This past year proved to be a very productive and successful year for the Commission on Disability. A brochure was developed describing the purpose of the Commission on Disability and the ways in which it can help. These brochures are available in the Municipal Building, Senior Center and Ben Franklin Bank for anyone interested.

Continuing the task of educating the town's residents and businesses about the laws and compliance regulations for residents with disabilities was again, our primary objective. Members of the Commission would speak to store owners/managers regarding the complications shopping carts left in handicapped spaces or blocking passage ways on sidewalks in front of stores was to a person with a disability. Many times the problem was understood and dealt with immediately. Warning tickets were placed on windshields of vehicles that were in violation of parking in handicap spaces or blocked the cross-hatched areas next to them. A "do's and don'ts list for the holders of placards was made available to anyone interested in helping enforce the rules and regulations of owning one.

There was a joint effort with this commission and the board of health to educate and change the practice of latex use in town businesses. Letters were mailed explaining the dangers the use of latex has and the allergic reaction it causes when some people come in contact with it. By not using latex they will alleviate fears and those citizens will be able to patronize their establishments.

In the spring of 2008, we hosted an Emergency Preparedness Seminar. The seminar was presented by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency and the Massachusetts Office on Disability. A number of local officials, the Bellingham Emergency Management Agency, as well as officials and lay people from surrounding towns attended. Attendees received an American Red Cross emergency preparedness kit which was donated Mass Office on Disabilities. The kits included enough rations to last two people two days in the event of an emergency.



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CENTER
10 MECHANIC STREET
BELLINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02019

2008 Annual Report

The Conservation Commission administers Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 131, section 40, (The Wetlands Protection Act) and as such reviews a variety of applications including Requests for Determination of Applicability, Abbreviated Notices of Intent, Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Delineation, and Notices of Intent. In addition, the Commission meets with proponents, consultants, and other town boards and their consultants to provide guidance and input relative to the specified Interests of The Wetlands Protection Act including private water supply, groundwater supply, flood control, storm damage prevention, prevention of pollution, protection of land containing shellfish, protection of fisheries and protection of wildlife habitat. As part of its duties, the Commission manages its current properties while seeking to expand Conservation Commission holdings by donation, purchase or Conservation Restrictions and implement targeted items in the town's Open Space and Recreation Plan.

In 2008, the Commission had six of the seven positions filled. Members serving on the Commission this year were Chairman, Clifford A. Matthews, Vice Chairman, Barry Lariviere, James P. Hentz, Neal Standley, Lori Fafard, Anne Matthews and part time Conservation Administrator, George C. Holmes. Currently there is one vacancy on the Board.

Our regularly scheduled meetings take place on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the North Community Building, 2 Maple Street and commence at 7:30 PM.

In 2008, the Conservation Commission reviewed a total of the following filings, presentations, and site walks.

3	Requests for Determination of Applicability
0	Abbreviated Notices of Intent
15	Notices of Intent
0	Amendment Requests
1	Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Delineation
6	Informational Presentations
23	Site Walks

The Conservation Commission also issued a total of the following permits this year.

3	Determinations of Applicability
15	Orders of Conditions
0	Amended Orders of Conditions
8	Extension Permits
2	Orders of Resource Area Delineation
2	Partial Certificates of Compliance
21	Certificates of Compliance
0	Emergency Certification
2	Enforcement Orders

In the last quarter of 2008, the Commission engaged at its own expense, a consultant to assist in the development of the five year update to our Open Space and Recreation Plan. Incorporating Commission input, the Draft Plan will be prepared for public presentation in January 2009 with final acceptance expected from the Division of Conservation and Recreation before the end of the state's fiscal year on June 30th.

The Commission wishes to acknowledge and offer thanks to the town administration for their support of the Commission in both aspects of our duties: resource area protection and preservation of open space.

Respectfully submitted,



Clifford A. Matthews
Chairman

COUNCIL ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT 2008

The Council on Aging Board (COA) is made up of 11 members appointed to help plan and watch over programs put into place to meet the needs of our older residents. All citizens at least 60 years of age, according to State guidelines, are members of the Council on Aging. The COA Board advocates on behalf of their members; has a say about the operation of the Senior Center, and acts as an advisory group to the Board of Selectmen. The Board actively supports the basic needs and social interests of Bellingham's older adult population. Our staff and volunteers are here to assist each resident in any way needed so that he or she continues to live independently, safely, and comfortably in his or her home while sharing in community life. The Council meets monthly and invites everyone to attend and contribute at our public meetings.

Three main areas of responsibility are Outreach, Transportation and Senior Center Programming. The first category, Outreach, describes what we do to locate seniors in Town that need information, referral, or other assistance, and provide them with access to benefits that they are eligible for or connect them to necessary services. One way we do this is through the monthly newsletter. Currently, **2,200** copies of the COA newsletter, *The Spirit of Bellingham* are distributed each month to keep residents informed about activities, benefits and program offerings.

Also, events are held each year at the Center to give us opportunities to welcome new faces and make it possible for residents of all ages to check us out and get acquainted. One example is the Annual Craft Fair which took place Saturday, November 8, with **24** participating small local businesses, artists and craftsmen. This event takes a mighty effort, and many hours of planning and preparation. The turnout this year was a record high, more than **450** visitors.

Community outreach was enhanced this year by the addition of a p-t state funded Outreach Coordinator. Many residents were provided service for the first time, and over **6,000** Senior Center phone calls were received requesting information or assistance during our normal hours of operation. **One thousand twenty-seven** senior residents participated this past year in one or more of our programs, not including trips, along with **175** younger people. Also, the Outreach Coordinator, Friendly Visitor and our volunteers provided services including companionship, help with errands, and application assistance for fuel and food for more than **150** residents. This was in addition to delivering a birthday card and birthday dinner invitation or plant to each of the more than **75** seniors who celebrated turning ninety or older. Over the next year, the Director will continue to work to evaluate and strengthen our Outreach Program.

Transportation is a critical need among older adults in the Bellingham area and is another priority. Our program is provided without a fee, but we encourage donations which are used to help defray the cost of vehicles, equipment or outside maintenance and repairs. Rides are available to residents 60 and older, and younger handicapped citizens who do not drive or do not have a way to get where they need to go. This was the second year Bellingham continued their agreement with the Greater Attleboro Taunton Regional Transportation Authority (GATRA). Residents made over **6,840** trips during the last year, up from 2,000 trips four years ago. This included rides to medical appointments, food shopping, errands and social activities with our three vehicles and six part-time drivers. People were taken to dialysis, cardiac rehab,

chemotherapy, and home after being discharged from the hospital. We are regularly asked for out-of-town medical transportation to Boston, Worcester, Providence and Framingham. We are able to accommodate all but a very small number of these requests.

Our third category includes the programs and activities planned by the Senior Center which is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Fridays from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. During the month, activities take place such as the knitters and quilters groups, canasta, bridge and general card games, line dancing, billiards, golf, bowling, computer instruction, cribbage, bingo, yogilates, pitch, zumba gold, scrabble, walking club, horseshoes, a basic exercise class, podiatry and blood pressure clinics, guest speakers, meals, monthly birthday parties and dinner-dances, regular legal, financial, and health insurance benefit counseling, as well as TRIAD and Elder Service Group meetings and events. **Ninety-six** people participated in fitness classes, **135** attended community education events, and over **270** took part in retirement planning and financial activities.

Also, in partnership with the Bellingham Arts Center and Cultural Council, weekly open art studio classes, senior chorus, and motion-to-music exercise classes, as well as watercolor painting instruction continued to enhance the Center's offerings.

This year through grants, donations and program revenue much was accomplished at no cost to the Town: two new vans were procured including a 2008 Ford GATRA van and a 2008 Ford EOT van, two refrigerators, one with an icemaker, our pool table felt, and vacuum cleaner were all replaced, a 42" flat screen TV was installed, and two new computers were added to the conference room along with file cabinets and a work counter. Partitions were repaired in the men's and women's restrooms and grab bars and new hardware were added in all stalls to allow more access. **Repairs were made to the Center's roof***, as was the damaged ceiling near the main entrance. An AED with display case was acquired and mounted, exterior screen doors were added to the kitchen and day program doorways, all exterior doors were painted, a new workstation, counter, and records storage were installed in the main office, storage cabinets were added in the front activity room as well as an additional bookcase in the lounge, and a new Konica Minolta copier replaced the Center's original machine. The administration of the Tax Work Program shifted to the Senior Center and a **new VTH Town Website was implemented with updated Senior Services information***. A MEMA Emergency Go-Kit event was hosted, three local cable access programs were created and broadcast, the AAA Older & Wiser Driving Program was hosted as well as a TRIAD Luncheon with membership recruitment and ID Theft & Scam prevention workshop. CPR recertification for Van Drivers and Senior Center Staff was completed, and the number of VNS BP Clinics offered doubled. Creation of a state association *best practices manual* for Supportive Day Programs was completed as well as an updated Outreach manual by Committees (including Director and/or staff), and the required CORI recertification process was successfully completed. ***Town funded.**

As the intake site for both the Fuel Assistance Program and the Prescription Advantage Program for residents of all ages, **215** residents were helped either to apply for these programs or supplied with valuable information. VNS blood pressure screenings took place every month at the Center; and **470** people attended our three annual Flu Shot or monthly Podiatry Clinics. Caregivers were offered several workshops concerning Alzheimer's disease and stroke prevention. Four well-attended American Red Cross blood drives were held.

Many of the Center's most popular programs include refreshments or meals. Nearly **5,000** healthy nutritious lunches were served at the Center during the year

The Center also operates an affordable, non-profit Supportive Day Program. This program provides supervised socialization and activities for attendees enabling frail elders to continue living in the Community who might otherwise be at-risk or inappropriately placed in a nursing home. There is a daily attendance fee and transportation is provided to residents at no cost. Our regional home-care agency, TVES, Inc., can subsidize attendance for those who are income eligible. During the past year, **14** clients attended from one to five days a week. We are very proud of this valuable and long-established program.

The Council values volunteerism, and expects a high level of commitment, leadership, and service of each other and the Elder Service Board members. Indeed, the **82** current volunteers proved to be essential to the success of our programs, donating over **3,310** hours of service. In addition, **over 50 residents Town-wide**, 15 here at the Center, participated in the Tax Work-Off Program with up to **100** hours of community service each, and earned a reduction in their property tax as a result. As we grow, more volunteer opportunities, recruitment and training must be provided so that those who wish to donate their time and energy feel satisfaction in giving back to the Community, and see positive results from their efforts.

We thank our legislators, State Representative Jennifer Callahan and Senator Richard Moore for their strong support. We are grateful to the many fine agencies and organizations we call on for help. We worked with our local school and scout organizations, and we aim to increase the number and quality of our intergenerational connections and relationships. Current COA Officers are Gordon Curtis, Chair; Nancy Delfino, 1st Vice-Chair; Yvonne Bartlett, 2nd Vice-Chair, and Betty Willey, Secretary. Members-at-large include residents Fred Dehmer, Katherine Detore, Joan Giard, William Monteiro, and Rita Tetrault. The Board was saddened this year by the passing of Mary Peluso and Don Wozniak, Board members who will both be greatly missed.

Our closest partner is The Bellingham Elder Service Group (BESG), which was formed to be the COA's Friends' Organization. They are active and hold meetings on the first Tuesday of most months. They sponsor fundraisers to help seniors. In addition to help from the BESG, the COA received donations of **in-kind goods and services valued at over \$61,550 from local agencies, businesses and individuals.**

I completed my third year as Director in October, and thank my staff for their continued dedication and professionalism. I join the COA Board in acknowledging the respect, kindness and generosity shown to our oldest inhabitants by concerned residents, Town employees, and local elected officials. We look forward to continuing our service to the Town, by helping all our fellow residents prepare for the challenges and changes ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura M. DeMattia
Director

**BELLINGHAM CULTURAL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 2008**

MEMBERS:

The members this year are:

Mary C. Healy, Chair; Eileen Jundzil, Secretary; Sheila Ronkin, Grant Coordinator, Lauren Ward, Treasurer; Gilbert Trudeau, Linda Trudeau, Myrna Simonson, Jeremy Ronkin and Catherine Rogozyn. Catherine resigned this fall to be involved with the Franklin Art Association.

FUNDING:

This year's funding was \$5,200.00 provisionally. We received 37 grant proposals for \$28,628.00. Since the budget for the Mass. Cultural Council will not be known until February due to the economy, we were told not to give a definite amount to the grantees until we are notified sometime in February of the exact amount from the Council. That amount can possibly be changed to a lower amount. Due to the small amount we expect to receive, we provisionally awarded most of the grants to local applicants or programs that would be a benefit to our community for a total of 9 grants.

LCC RECIPIENTS OF THE 2008 (FY 2009) GRANTS:

Bellingham Middle School (1 program) Janet Applefield
Clara Macy Elementary School (1 program) The Earth Adventure
Stall Brook School (2 programs) The Earth Adventure and Robert Rivest
Bellingham Public Library for a program by Keith Johnson
Bellingham Senior Center – David Polansky
Claflin Hill Music Performance
Steps Off Broadway Inc

PASS RECIPIENTS OF THE 2008 (FY 2009) GRANTS:

Bellingham Middle School (1 program) Heifer International's Overlook Farm
We also re-granted \$925 from grants that were not used.

The Cultural Council also offered a \$500 scholarship to a deserving high school student who was furthering their education by attending college. The applications were available at the Bellingham High School, Tri-County High School and Blackstone Valley Technical School. It was awarded to David West of Bellingham High who is now attending the University of Delaware and majoring in Chemical Engineering.

The Cultural Council holds two competitions each year, an art competition in the spring and a photography competition in the fall. As you can see by the winners, the entries are from various towns in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. These are the results from this year.

ART COMPETITION:

The Art Competition and Show was held from May 24, 2008 through June 23, 2008. Carol Simonson, the director and curator of the art competitions and private showings at the Bellingham Public Library noted there were 46 adult artists and 23 youths who entered 108 pieces of art. The show was judged by Grace Ciocca. She has taught Art for more than 30 years at Marian High School, the Adult Continuing Education Program at Keefe Technical High School and Newbury College School.

The winners of the competition in various categories were:

Best of Show: Kristy Morrill, Mendon for: "Bee On Pink Roses".

1st Place:

John K. Smith, Natick for "Rueben Taylor"; Paulette Lussier, Bellingham for "Forgotten"; Betty Gagnon, Woonsocket for "Courtyard Retreat"; Ann Blanchette, Upton for "Forest Embrace"; and Bill Simonson, Bellingham; for "The Bridge".

2nd Place:

Gail Eckberg, Norfolk for "Anticipating Summer"; Ryan Barraford, Bellingham for "Pensive Lion"; Francine Stockley, Providence for "Sailing Vessel/Early Evening Light"; Brenda Hutchinson, Franklin for "Bountiful Apples"; and Carol Simonson, Bellingham for "Portland Head Lighthouse".

3rd Place:

Eleanor Holmes, Millis for "Daisies In A Vase"; Andree Fanning, Woonsocket for "Irish Bay"; Betty Gagnon, Woonsocket for "Full Snow Moon"; Karen O'Donnell Taylor, Hopkinton for "Walk A Mile In My Shoes"; and Janice Savage Cartwright, Bellingham for "Vt. Barn Winter".

Honorable Mentions:

Carol Frieswick, Whitinsville for "Pear Compote"; Sarah Alexander, Hopedale for "Taking A Bow"; Gail Eckberg, Norfolk for "Sunny Smiles"; Richard Van Wie, Bellingham for "Ross Castle, Ireland"; Richard Van Wie, Bellingham for "Alibi"; Mary Kosowski, Smithfield for "Evening Surf"; Therese A. Miller, Manville for "Home"; Jackie Morrisette, Blackstone for "Jen"; Pauline Bell, Bellingham for "The Skater"; Francine Stockley, Providence for "Le Petit Village"; and Linda Massey, Hopedale for "Orchid";.

Youth Age 9-12:

1st Place:

Cody Remillard, Bellingham for "Seagull Beach".

2nd Place:

Madison Wendell, Franklin for "Peace In The Woods".

3rd Place:

Kyle Haskins, Bellingham for "Paper Safari".

Honorable Mention 9-12:

Sarah Kenney, Bellingham for "Muffins".

Youth Age 13-17

1st Place:

Carrie Clayton, Franklin for "Vigil".

2nd Place:

Kelly Samia, Bellingham for "Perched Owl".

3rd Place:

Nicole Beckmann, Franklin for "Contemplation".

Honorable Mention 13-17:

Bianca Kelly, Franklin for "Jewel Of The Nile".

PHOTO COMPETITION SEPTEMBER 2008

The Bellingham Cultural Council's Annual Photo Competition took place in October from October 18, 2008 through November 17, 2008 at the Bellingham Public Library. Carol A. Simonson, curator of the exhibit, noted the competition drew 40 adult artists and 7 youths from ages 13-17 with a total of 121 Photographs. The judge was Mike Caple who is currently the Art Director for the Franklin Public Schools.

BEST OF SHOW: Andre Bourque, Millis for "Rock Harbor, Cape Cod", done in black & white.

COLOR: 1st Place went to Wilma Manning, Hopedale for "Floral Impressions"; and Patrick Galasso, Franklin for "People of the Cross & Crescent"

2nd Place went to Karen Pendleton, Hopedale for "Old G/U RR Cars" and Alfred J. Oxtan, Arizona for "Desert Dweller".

3rd Place went to Eric Soter, Pascoag for "Modern Picasso" and Linda Douillette, Woonsocket for "Quick Draw".

Honorable Mentions: Ken Wiedemann, Franklin for "Smutty Nose Rowboat"; Kathleen Operach, Norfolk for "San Francisco" and Jay Galasso, Franklin for "Window On The World".

BLACK and WHITE: 1ST Place went to Larry Wynn, Bellingham for "Window".

2nd Place went to Ken Wiedemann, Franklin for "Quabbin Tower".

3rd Place went to Kevin Umlauf, Bellingham for "Zydeco Music".

Honorable Mention: In this category went to Howard Barman, Bellingham for "Rachal"; Eric Soter, Pascoag for "Artist's Rendition" and Harry Platcow, Milford for "Vegas Venetian".

PHOTO ILLUSTRATION: 1ST Place to Kevin Umlauf, Bellingham for "Truro Beach Glass"; **2nd Place** to Larry Wynn. Bellingham for "The Barn" and Andrew Bennett, N. Attleboro for "1000 Days... 1000 Photos".

3rd Place to Patrick Galasso, Franklin for "The Stone Stair"...

Honorable Mentions went to Jay Galasso, Franklin for "Fantasy Train" and Andre Bourque, Millis for "Vase".

Country Living: 1st Place went to Jennifer Corey, Franklin for "Love In The Shadows". 2nd Place to Andrew Bennett, N. Attleboro for "Oregon Country Road". and 3rd Place to Marilyn Fuller, Bellingham for "Backyard Fence".

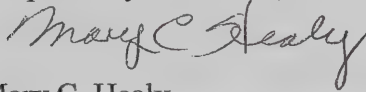
Honorable Mentions: In this category are Pamela Bhatia, N. Smithfield for "Moo" and Marilyn Fuller, Bellingham for "Bed and Breakfast".

YOUTH DIVISION: 1st Place went to Alicia Parent, Blackstone for "Punk Ballet". 2nd Place to Laura Trottier, Franklin for "Love In Nature" 3rd Place to Lindsey Jensen, Bellingham for "Marigold".

Honorable Mentions: In this division went to Becky Galasso, Franklin for "Morning Dew".

Attached is a report from Linda Trudeau, the Art Director for the Bellingham Art Center.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary C. Healy
Chairman,
Bellingham Cultural Council

:

Bellingham Arts Center

2008 Town Report

The inter-generational art programs for 2008 continue to thrive. The innovative "Motion in Music" and "Open Art" along with the Bellingham Community Concert Chorus met weekly at the Bellingham Senior Center. These offerings are weekly activities open to those eighteen and older. The senior chorus sang for the BWOT Santa's Elves telethon as well as the Environmental Art Programs. They also performed on local radio, at the COA Senior Dinner program, the town's Memorial Day observance on the Town Common and for residents of Wrentham Manor and Depot Court in addition to the Bellingham/Franklin Lions' Club hosted Holiday Party and concert for seniors and daycare seniors. The group also sang at the Town Common and visited nursing homes where Bellingham residents are housed.

Thanks to the efforts of Don Dimartino of the DPW and Lori Fafard, Water Administrator, grants were secured which funded free environmental art and music programs for children during the summer months and cartooning programs were given at Arcand Park.

The "Lunch Box Art" program allowed parents, grandparents and caregivers to bring children to the Town Common for free art activities during the summer.

The BAC once again held a music recital and art exhibit featuring works by seniors as well as youngsters on the town common.

Mrs. Trudeau and the Bellingham Art Center worked extensively with the staffs of Steps Off Broadway, Woonsocket's Stadium Theater and St Ann's Arts and Cultural Center in support of local artists involved in productions at those venues as well as promoting and hiring local talent to teach programs at the Art Center.

The Art Center, under the direction of Linda Trudeau, continues to work with patrons ranging in age from four to the elderly. High school students and recent graduates pursuing art based careers provide their time and efforts by teaching in successful summer programs.

The Center continues its tradition of serving as a catalyst for additional programs to meet the needs of the Bellingham community by assisting in town projects such as the Fall Pumpkin Patch, and the Town-wide Fourth of July celebration by providing art, crafts, face painting, prizes and, periodically, concerts in the summer series of events such as family night on the common.

The Bellingham Art Center has initiated a series of art, craft and instructional programs which can be seen on ABMI Cable 8 sponsored by the Bellingham Cultural Council.

The Bellingham Arts Center has the distinction of offering all programming to town residents free of charge thanks to the Town of Bellingham, the Bellingham Cultural Council, grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Bellingham DPW and the support of the Bellingham COA, Bellingham Elder Service and State Representative Jennifer Callahan.

Cultural Council Presents Results of Photo Competition

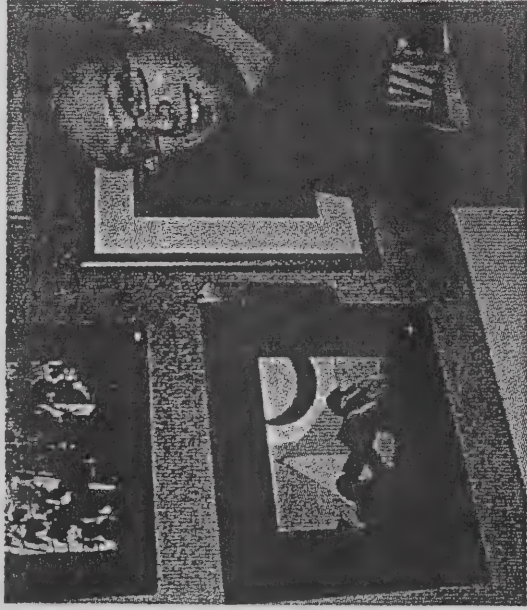
With so many people snapping photographs with their digital cameras these days, it's fun to see some of the results in a friendly competition, interesting to see what judges deem the best in various categories, and heartwarming to see young people achieving some stunning results.

This year's photography competition, sponsored as usual by the Bellingham Cultural Council, illustrated all of that. Pictures in the categories of color, black and white, photo illustration, and country living were well worth a trip to the Bellingham Library community room; some of the ones that didn't win made me wonder what kinds of criteria the judge had used; and winning photos taken by young people could just as easily have been taken by adults with a history of picture-taking behind them.

Of special interest was the movement of one of the photographers from the youth category into the adult this year. Patrick Galasso from Franklin, competing for the first time as an adult, garnered two ribbons: a first in color for his photo entitled "People of the Cross and Crescent," which he shot outside the Red Cross Museum in Geneva, Switzerland, and a third place for "The Stone Stair," in the photo illustration category. He in fact bested his father, Jay, who has won ribbons in the past but this year received just an honorable mention for a color photo entitled "Window on the World."

Two Bellingham girls took prizes in the youth division. First place went to Alicia Parent for a photo that exhibited imaginative, clever, and very meaningful composition. Entitled "Punk Ballet," it shows just the feet of a girl wearing a sneaker on one foot and a ballerina slipper on the other. She took it with a digital camera in color and then decided to change it to black and white, which gives the photo the kind of impact that only black and white can give. The meaningfulness of the picture lies in what it says about the life of an active young girl, that while on the one hand she participates in the ordinary, daily rough-and-tumble of her life, she also aspires to the grace and beauty of the ballet dancer. Lindsey Jensen, also from Bellingham, took third place with a close-up shot of a dewy orange marigold. Fourteen-year-old Laura Trotter of Franklin won second place for "Love in Nature."

In the adult division, Kevin Umlauf of Bellingham took first place in photo illustration for his "Turo Beach Grace".



Franklin's Patrick Galasso with his award-winning "People of the Cross and Crescent," which he shot in Switzerland

ral Impressions", Jennifer Corey of Franklin took a first in country living with "Love in the Shadows"; and Larry Wynn of Bellingham walked away with a first in black and white for his photo entitled, simply, "Window."

Wynn also took second place in photo illustration for "The Barn." Apparently it isn't always a "slam-dunk" kind of decision for a judge, for second place went twice to more than one person in the same category. Andrew Bennett, North Attleboro, won two seconds, one, like Larry Wynn, in photo illustration, for his "1000 Days . . . 1000 Photos," and one in country living for "Oregon Country Road." Both Karen Pendleton of Hopedale and Alfred J. Oxtion of Arizona won seconds in the color category, Pendleton for "Triple View Old Hopedale" and Oxtion for "Desert Dweller." Perennial winner Ken Wiedemann of Franklin took second place in black and white for "Quabbin Tower."

Third-place ribbons went to Eric Soter of Pascoag, Kevin Umlauf of Bellingham, Marilyn Fuller of Bellingham, and Linda Douillette of Woonsocket, as well as Patrick Galasso, as mentioned above. Fuller had been at a restaurant in North Sydney, Nova Scotia, and spotted at the house next door an old wooden fence onto which had been attached a row of expired license plates, two of which were in the shape of a polar bear. The photo shows that with a lens over a chair,

photo, which she aptly calls "Quick Draw," is a close shot (close in the sense that she was close—just a couple of feet away—from the subject, not zooming in from afar) of a squirrel to which she had just given a peanut in the shell. The squirrel had been quick to pop the nut into its mouth, from which the nut is protruding, and Linda had to be quick to get the shot. It's a fun picture.


Honorable mentions went to Eric Soter, Pascoag; Harry Platow, Milford; Pamela Bhatia, North Smithfield; Marilyn Fuller, Bellingham; Ken Wiedemann, Franklin; Kathleen Operach, Norfolk; Howard Barman, Bellingham; Jay Galasso, Franklin; and Becky Galasso, Franklin.

The grand prize, Best of Show, went to Andre Bourque of Millis, for a black and white shot at Rock Harbor, Cape Cod.

This year's judge was Mike Caple, art director for the Franklin Public Schools, where they just opened "Gallery 218," which exhibits student, faculty, and community art work. He has a BFA in photography from the Massachusetts College of Art and an MA in Education from Endicott College in Beverly, MA. In 2006 he published a photography book, *Heard at Last: Images of Transformation*, about an ex-Black Panther who turned his life around, which is available at Lulu.com.

The yeoman's work that makes such a contest and reception possible—many hours of hanging and rehanging the framed photos to get the balance just right, all of the paper work, and providing refreshments—was done as usual by Carol Simonson for the Bellingham Cultural Council.

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BULLETIN EDITOR



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BELLINGHAM FINANCE COMMITTEE

TOWN ANNUAL REPORT 2008

As we prepare the Finance Committee Annual Report, we can't help but note the economic devastation that occurred this year. From Wall Street to Main Street everyone has been affected by the recession. Surrounding communities are in more dire straights with major layoffs occurring in the current budget; but because of the careful financial planning of our Chief Financial Officer Bellingham has been fortunate enough to come out of this without major devastation to our town services. However, at this time we are awaiting an update from the Governor to see just how many cuts there will be to the FY09 budget. He is expected to make an announcement within a week of this writing.

Each year has been more difficult to operate within the budgeted set by our Town Meetings. That being said, no one ever expected the situation we find ourselves in now. The manner in which we spend money and do business is undoubtedly going to change with devastating consequences.

The Finance Committee Members are committed to researching the Town's needs, advising the citizens with sound financial recommendations, and ever mindful that the welfare of the Town of Bellingham is at stake. As you face the financial situation in your own homes, please note that the Town of Bellingham will need to tighten our belts as well. To date the Town has supported Capital requests that have been absolutely necessary, that may have to stop until the financial situation turns around. We are looking ahead to a very discouraging FY2010.

The Finance Committee would like to thank all departments for being cognizant of the financial hard times and for heeding the request to level fund. The Finance Committee understands that the Town must meet contractual obligations and still maintain services, but we also must live within the budget. As we begin the FY2010 budget process, we will again be focusing on fiscal constraints. We also want to thank the citizens of Bellingham for your support at Town Meetings and ask that you all show continued support by attending and participating in the meetings scheduled in 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary E. Maynard, Chairman

Roland A. Lavallee, Vice-Chairman

Tony Picariello, Clerk/Member

Joseph E. Collamati, Jr.

Carol M. Dill

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Town of Bellingham

OFFICE OF THE
Fire Department

January 7, 2009

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

PERMANENT PERSONNEL

Fire Chief Richard Ranieri*
Deputy Steven Garon

LIEUTENANTS

Michael Delorme*, Joseph Robidoux*, Steven Gentile*,
Chris Milot**, Eric Provost*

PRIVATEES

Joseph Deslauriers*, Christopher Mach**, Joseph Altomonte**,
Joseph Manning*, William Bennett*, Neil Coakley**, Daniel
Donovan**, Gregory Prew**, Paul Lachapelle**, John Glennon**,
Peter Washburn **, James Perry**, Bethany Cloutier**, Victor
DaCosta**

CALL PERSONNEL

Ernest Hadley, Jane Malo*, Chris Kent**, Chris Delarda*

* *denotes Emergency Medical Technician*

***denotes Paramedic*

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

The department responded to 16 building fires; 29 appliance fires; 47 vehicle assistance calls; 260 investigations; 31 outside fires; 32 details; and gave fire mutual aid to Franklin-10; Mendon-2; Woonsocket-2;

Milford-3; Medway-1 and Blackstone-1. Fire mutual aid was received from Franklin-7; Medway-2; Milford-6; Blackstone-1; Hopedale-1 and Woonsocket-4. Rescue calls were 1,315.

Total calls for 2008 were 3,137 compared to 3,028 for 2007; 3,140 for 2006; 3,037 for 2005; 2,590 for 2004; and 2,432 for 2003. The department issued 1,367 permits after inspection. The total is inclusive of these.

Building fires were broken down as follows: 8-house; 7-chimney fires; and 1-vacant building. The causes of the above fires were as follows: Heating devices-6 (this includes fires caused by woodstoves, fireplaces, chimneys, etc.); arson-3; electrical-2; misuse of lighter-1; careless disposal of woodstove ashes-1; cutting/soldering-2; and improper operation-1.

Appliance fires were broken down as follows: electrical/motors-4; cooking equipment-15; heating systems-9; dishwasher-1.

Vehicle assistance calls were broken down as follows: spills-26; car fires-9; truck fires-1; extrication-4; Lifeflight-5; boat-1; and mulch grinder-1.

Rescue calls were broken down as follows: 989 medical emergencies; 160 motor vehicle accidents; 20 miscellaneous and 146 mutual aid. TO: Franklin-49; Blackstone-2; Woonsocket-3; Mendon-4; Milford-1; and Hopedale-1. FROM: Franklin-55; Woonsocket-21; Blackstone-1; Mendon-7; and Hopedale-2.

Fire calls decreased by 52 over 2007. Rescue calls increased by 20 for a net decrease of 32 over 2007. Inspections and permits were up by 141 for a total activity increase of 109.

INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS

Deputy Garon supervised inspection duties. Inspections were made of businesses and where needed corrections were recommended. The workload for plan reviews, inspections and permits continues to be very time consuming. Deputy Garon and Lt. Milot reviewed numerous plans. There were permits issued as follows: oil storage-81; install smoke detectors-242; propane storage-64; install fire suppression systems-37; install fire alarm systems-22; install AST/UST-26; storage of flammable/combustible liquids-4; welding-27; blasting-0; fireworks display-1; tank truck-31; tank removals-48; FP 290 -5; dumpster-40; and miscellaneous-11; and CO detectors-197.

In addition to the above permits, 531 open burning permits were issued. There are several construction projects underway and others in the various planning stages. There is a major project for the Best Buy Distribution Center on Depot St. as well as a major sports complex and motocross complex on Maple Street.

There is a proposal in front of the Town for a major development housing 80 to 100 shops, restaurants and parking facilities behind Home Depot on Hartford Avenue. This will have a major impact on the department in terms of response, call volume increase, response times, etc. As I suggested the last two years, a staffing plan to increase personnel and staff a fire station in North Bellingham area is going to need to be addressed. The Town should have the developer contribute funding to address the needs.

It is a proven fact that inspection of businesses throughout the year by fire personnel has helped keep the incidents of fire in these establishments to a minimum. All local businesses are to be commended for their cooperation in trying to make their places of business violation free for the safety of their employees and patrons.

FIRE PREVENTION, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND EDUCATION

All schools were inspected and the required four fire drills were held. Public Education Co-ordinator Christopher Mach continues to go to the elementary schools to reinforce the "Learn Not To Burn" curriculum. The cooperation of the teaching staff and the School Administration has been superb allowing the program to be successful. Chief Ranieri filed the S.A.F.E. grant application for FY 08 and the Town received \$4,700.00 to be used for Fire Safety education in the schools.

The program for high school seniors was continued again this year. The program covered fire hazards of college dormitory living.

The Fire Safety trailer was brought to all of the Town's elementary schools to provide a simulation of fire hazards in the home as well as to have the students learn to crawl under "smoke" and safely exit the trailer. This took 8 full days to present the program under the direction of Firefighter Mach and other department members.

In addition to the above program a "Mock Accident" was conducted for the senior class. It was well received and touched upon the problem of drinking and driving. I want to thank all who participated including high school staff, students, Cartier Funeral Home and the District Attorney's office. It was a realistic portrayal from the extrication of the "victims", transportation in a hearse, wake, funeral, etc. I hope that all students

came away with a better understanding of how this affects all involved including family, classmates, and teachers.

The department participated in demonstrations at Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Bob's Store and Goddard School.

The Chief wishes to caution all residents with woodstoves and other solid fuel heating devices that maintenance and periodic cleaning of these and other heating device is critical. Residents are also cautioned against placing hot ashes into combustible containers as well as placing combustibles too close to hot surfaces. Never use flammable or combustible liquids to light a fire in a woodstove or fireplace.

The Chief wishes to remind residents that fire personnel are available to speak at meetings of various social and professional groups. To obtain a speaker call the fire station at 966-1112 several weeks in advance of the desired date to make arrangements with the Chief.

VEHICLES, PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING

Call EMT Jane Malo retired from the department after serving 16 years on the rescue. Her service was truly appreciated and I wish her the best in the future.

Personnel received training for defibrillator recertification requirements under the direction of EMS Co-ordinator Lt. Steven Gentile.

Department members participated in educational classes at the Mass. Firefighting Academy. Several members attended an educational seminar in Duxbury.

Lieutenants conducted in service training for department members which included live burns at the Milford Fire Department Training tower. Rope Rescue and Confined Space training was held for department by Heavy Rescue, Inc. as instructors.

Lt. Steven Gentile successfully completed the Chief Fire Officer Management Training Program conducted by the MA Fire Academy in conjunction with the University of MA, Donahue Institute.

The department encourages businesses to consider purchasing a Knox Box for their respective businesses. This method of key control allows fire department personnel access to the business in off-hours to provide emergency services.

I submitted a request to add four (4) more full-time personnel in the FY

2009 budget. The Selectmen due to budget constraints voted down that request. I will be re-submitting that request again in the FY 2010 budget. In addition I would like to fill the position vacated by the retirement of Ernest Hadley and the departure of Kevin Haley from the department. Those openings were not authorized to be filled by the Board of Selectmen due to budget constraints. The department continues to run with minimal staffing. Many off duty full time members do not come back for recalls for emergencies leaving the response at a dangerous level at times.

BUILDINGS

The Town needs to look at beginning the process of replacing the outlying fire stations. Both buildings are not large enough to accommodate the larger apparatus and equipment being built today. In addition there are no living facilities at either station, which poses a problem. With the commercial growth in the north end of Town some consideration may need to be given to staffing the north fire station. The call volume in that area has increased. In addition, trying to get through Hartford Ave. traffic has become even more problematic. The heavy traffic congestion has reduced response times to the northern end of Town.

OTHER

The department turned in the sum of \$549,317.29 to the Town Treasurer for 2008. The amount is broken down as follows: Smoke detector (new construction)-\$1,550.00; smoke detector (resale)-\$4,425.00; install fire alarm systems-\$ 430.00; reinspection fees-\$ 695.00; oil burner fees \$4,050.00; fire and rescue reports-\$285.00; propane storage-\$1,425.00; 21E reports-\$245.30; FP 290-\$25.00; tank truck permits-\$775.00; install fire suppression systems-\$850.00; flammable/combustible permits-\$ 50.00; store waste oil tank-\$100.00; outside detail fees-\$54.00; miscellaneous \$1,714.85; insurance recover account-\$500.92; blasting-\$ 0; open burning-\$2,610.00; welding permits-\$675.00; Restitution- \$1,097.31; outside details-\$1,308.96; Fire Code Violation tickets-\$2,400.00; Fire Prevention gift account-\$1,035.00; trash compactor permits-\$1,050.00; Fire Rescue Gift Acct.-\$25.00; remove underground tanks- \$100.00; CO detector fees-\$5,100.00; fireworks display-\$25.00 and ambulance receipts-\$516,715.95.

The Chief urges residents to install, maintain, and periodically test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. It has been proven time and time again that the early warning provided by smoke detectors helps in

allowing occupants time to escape. It also results in earlier notification of the fire and may help in reducing fire damage.

In closing, I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator Denis Fraine, other Town Departments and Boards for their assistance. Particular appreciation goes to Deputy Garon, Deb Delarda, and all the firefighters both permanent and call, for their cooperation in my efforts to better serve the citizens of Bellingham.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. RANIERI
Fire Chief

Bellingham Historical Commission

3 Common Street
Bellingham, MA 02019

2008 Annual Report

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen;

Our museum is open the first Sunday of each month. We now have an office in the newly renovated Town Hall. The office that we occupy was once the home of the Bellingham Police Dept., from 1922 to 1964. On Memorial Day, 2008, we invited the town officials, the public and members of the former police Chief Euclide Fleurette's family for the official opening. This office is a tribute to all former and present members of the Bellingham Police Dept. Two of our special guest included former sergeant of this office and chief., Norman McLinden and also Chief Fleurette's daughter Marcell. This office houses the Chief Euclide Fleurette police memorabilia collection.

Sale of the former North School funds were earmarked for restoration of the Town Hall. It was decided by the Town Administrator to progress forward with the town hall renovation blueprints found by the Bellingham Historic Commission within their files and approved by the town voters in 1910. The Town Hall since 1802 was known as the 'Big White Towne House'. In the 1930's it was painted a yellow color until the 1950's when once again it was sided in white. It was decided as a joint committee to paint the Town Hall a colonial yellow with white trim.

We printed 4 issues of the Crimpville Comments. This is an additional 64 pages of printed and preserved Bellingham history. Many Bellingham residents have donated precious items of local history to be housed in our vast collection. We would like to thank Paul Hurd for storing our two antique fire trucks. We hope soon to put these trucks on display. The Boston Post Cane, a tradition of being given to our town's eldent resident continues. This years recipient is Mary Levelle, who turned 100 years old. This tradition began in 1909. Of the 700 town's given this cane by the Boston Post Newspaper, there are very few town's that still continue this tradition.

We had a new member appointed to our commission to replace Elizabeth Andrews and that is Carlton Patrick a life long resident of Bellingham. The Bellingham Historic Commission still has a great deal of work to be done. Bellingham is a very fast growing community and it is a very differcult task that we have at preservation and documentation of our vanishing history. We thank the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the Highway Dept., Parks Dept. and other Depts. for their assistance in being there on many occasions on such short notice. We thank the people of Bellingham for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted

Ernest Taft, Chairman
Marcia Crooks, Vice Chair
Priscella Compton, Secretary

Danielle Fisher, Treasurer
Forebnce McCracken
Peter Morelli
Carlton Patrick



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

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INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS
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to the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Bellingham:

The following permits were issued during the year 2008:

PURPOSE	AMT.	EST. COST	FEES COLLECTED
RESIDENTIAL			
Single Family Dwellings	8	2,060,175.	19,471.
Two Family Dwelling	2	180,000.	1,700.
Additions	31	996,757.	7,636.
Accessories	166	673,881.	7,310.
Repair, Remodel, Renovations	170	1,742,685.	15,094.
Occupancies	10	0	875.
Foundations	12	0	1,200.
Demolition	6	34,091.	324.
Home Occupation Licenses	4	0	200.
Temporary Tent	1	400.	70.
Temporary Mobile Home	2	19,000.	152.
Residential Totals	412	\$5706,989.	\$54,032.

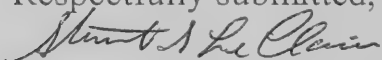
COMMERCIAL			
New Buildings	4	1,920,000.	29,200.
Foundations	7	20,000	50,600.
Accessorie	8	141,044.	1,410.
Tenant Fit-Ups	12	795,920.	9,540.
Repair, Remodel, Renovations	17	6,872,192.	67,455.
Signs	31	183,963.	4,262.
Demolition	13	300,000.	3,000.
Temp. Fence	3	0	840.
Temporary Trailers	8	0	6075.
Occupancies	6		400.
Temporary Banner	4	100.	255.
Temp. Tent	3	0	145.
Additions	2	304,500.	2,685.
Totals for Commercial	118	\$10,537,719.	\$175,867.
INDUSTRIAL			
Addition	1	15,000.	225.
Ren./Rem./Rep.	1	0	0
Trailers	1	0	750.
New Building	1	19,000,000.	140,000.
Totals for Industrial	4	\$19,015,000.	\$140,975.
RES., COMM., & IND. TOTAL	534	\$35,259,708.	\$370,874.

Building Code Violations, Construction without Permits and Cease and Desist orders were taken care of immediately.

Monthly census reports were sent to the United States Government Department of Commerce. Reports of permits issued are sent to the Assessors' Office. All fees are collected directly at the Office of Inspectional Services and forwarded to the Treasurer's Office on a daily basis.

The Office of Inspectional Services are open Monday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Tuesday – Thursday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM and Friday from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM for all building, electrical, plumbing, and gas permits.

Respectfully submitted,



Stuart S. LeClaire, Building Commissioner

Overview Inspectional Services Department 2006-2007

Total Building Income	\$258,388.50
Total Building Expenditures	\$140,537.00
Excess Revenue	\$117,851.50

Total Plumbing & Gas Income	\$43,835.00
Total Plumbing & Gas Expenditures	\$20,793.00
Excess Revenue	\$23,042.00

Total Electrical Income	\$55,962.76
Total Electrical Expenditures	\$27,225.00
Excess Revenue	\$28,737.76

Total Department Income	\$358,186.26
Total Department Exp.	\$188,555.00
Excess Revenue	\$169,631.26

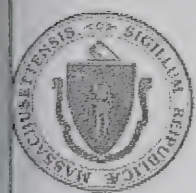
Overview Inspectional Services Department
Year Ending 12-31-08

Total Building Income	\$370,874.00
Total Building Expenditures	\$140,247.00
Excess Revenue	\$230,627.00

Total Plumbing & Gas Income	\$40,301.75
Total Plumbing & Gas Expenditures	\$20,793.00
Excess Revenue	\$19,508.75

Total Electrical Income	\$63,367.60
Total Electrical Expenditures	\$27,225.00
Excess Revenue	\$36,142.60

Total Department Income	\$474,543.35
Total Department Exp.	\$188,265.00
Excess Revenue	\$286,278.35



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2008 REPORT OF THE NORFOLK COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The operational program of the Project integrates all proven technologies into an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) system for mosquito control and vector management that is rational, environmentally sensitive and cost effective.

Surveillance: Surveys, inspections, and monitoring in support of our program include GIS mapping of breeding areas, larval and adult collections, and fieldwork evaluations leading to better water management. West Nile virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis have been active in Norfolk County over the past several years which has resulted in an expansion of the surveillance program in collaboration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH), State Laboratory Institute. MDPH has requested that the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project expand mosquito surveillance across the county for the purpose of detecting viruses in collected mosquitoes as an early warning system for the residents of the county. Considerable manpower has been reallocated to these efforts, which is not reflected in this report.

Mosquito eggs need water to hatch and to sustain larval growth.

Water Management Activities: An important component of our IPM approach is the management of shallow, standing, stagnant water, and the maintenance of existing flow systems which if neglected can contribute to mosquito breeding. Site visits, pre and post monitoring, photographic documentation, survey measurements, flagging, accessing assessors information, maintenance of paperwork and electronic forms, communication with and/or meeting on site with residents, state/federal officials and maintaining regulatory compliance are all important aspects of this program. In addition to normal drainage system maintenance, Project personnel advise residents on removal of water holding artificial containers on their property for the purpose of eliminating potential West Nile virus mosquito breeding habitat.

Drainage ditches checked/cleaned	10,150 feet	Culverts checked /cleaned	9 culverts
Intensive Hand Cleaning*/ Brush Cut	2,550 feet	Mechanized Cleaning	80 feet

* Combination of brush cutting and clearing of severely degraded drainage systems or streams by hand

Larval Control: Treatment of mosquito larvae during aquatic development is the next most effective control effort. These applications were conducted after devoting many man hours to collecting larval data which is used for targeting purposes as well as for determining efficacy of these applications. The products used during these applications were Bti (*Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis*) and Methoprene.

Aerial larvicide applications	619 acres
Larval control - briquette & granular applications by hand	11.5 acres
Rain Basin treatments - briquettes by hand (West Nile virus control)	1,000 basins

Adult Control: The suppression of flying adult mosquitoes becomes necessary when they are numerous, annoying, and/or threaten public health. These applications are conducted based on residential complaints as well as by analyzing adult mosquito population data collected from light traps. Additional applications may have occurred following identification of mosquito born viruses such as West Nile virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis. The product used during these applications is Sumithrin.

Adult control aerosol applications from trucks 2,140 acres

Respectfully submitted,  John J. Smith, Director



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January 27, 2009

to the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

Although the economy of the country slowed down, new projects in Bellingham continued to move forward at a rapid pace. 2008 was one of the Planning Board's busiest years ever for reviewing and approving new projects.

Mary Chaves, the Planning Board Coordinator of three years resigned, but was elected to the Board of Selectmen. Amy Sault, who was hired to replace Mary, quickly adjusted to the challenges of a small, but busy office environment. Stacey Wetstein welcomed a little boy into her family.

On May 8, 2008, the Board was organized as follows: Patricia Buckley, Chairman; Glenn Wojcik, Vice-Chairman; Stephen Bartha, Secretary; Brian Sutherland, Member; Dave Brown, Member; John Sexton, Associate Member. The office staff consisted of Stacey Wetstein, Town Planner and Amy Sault, Coordinator. Stacey Wetstein took over as the SWAP (Southwest Advisory Planning group) and Metropolitan Area Planning Council representative.

The Planning Board held 23 meetings in 2008. Total fees collected toward the General Fund were \$9,313.60. During the year, the following actions were taken:

- 81-P's, Form A, Approval Not Required - 10 total: 10 approved.
- Preliminary Subdivision - 0 total.
- Definitive Subdivisions - 1 total: 1 approved with conditions.
- Special Permits - 6 total: 4 approved with conditions; 2 still under review.
- Development Plan Approval - 12 total: 9 approved with conditions; 2 withdrawn without prejudice, 1 still under review.
- Site Plan Review - 1 total: 1 approved.
- Scenic Road Permit - 1 total: 1 approved.
- Public Hearings for Zoning Amendments - 1 total: 1 recommended to Town Meeting (passed over at Town Meeting).
- Discussion for Street Acceptance - 1 total: 1 not recommended to Town Meeting.
- Extension and Modification Requests for Existing Permits - 2 total: 2 approved.
- Lot Release Requests - 0 total.
- Bond Release Requests - 1 total: 1 approved.

In addition to the numerous development projects before Planning Board during 2008, the Board also authorized a task force to review and update the 1998 Master Plan as mandated by the Charter. The task force, which consists of members from the Planning Board, Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Parks Department, Housing Authority, Historical Commission, Finance Committee, Disabilities Commission and citizens at large, convened toward the end of the year to organize itself. Peter Bartha was elected as the Chairman, Jeff Scornavacca as Vice Chairman and Glenn Wojcik as

Secretary. The task force will meet the third Thursday of every month until the review is complete. Public forums will be organized throughout the review process to gain insight and input from the residential and business components of the community.

The Board worked with the Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Building Department to finalize a procedure for the As-Built process as projects near completion. When a developer applies for an occupancy permit, the inspector for the DPW will review As-Built plans for compliance with the approved plans. The Planning Board will have final oversight of the inspections and make a recommendation to the Building Inspector for an issuance of the occupancy permit. A handbook for developers was prepared and is posted on the Planning Board website.

The Planning Board's regular office hours of Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM and Friday from 9 AM to 1 PM continued to be busy with the office staff answering a steady flow of questions for residents, developers and other professionals on the phone, through email and in person. The Planning Board operates from the office at 2 Mechanic Street, in the old Town Hall. Planning Board meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month in the Municipal Center, unless otherwise posted.

We look forward to serving the Town of Bellingham in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Bellingham:

PERMITS ISSUED IN 2008

MONTH	PERMITS ISSUED	AMOUNT RECEIVED
January	16	\$1340.
February	16	1824.75.
March	16	1170.
April	44	2960.
May	29	2889.
June	31	2990.
July	44	3400.
August	31	2755.
September	34	2295.
October	58	6008.
November	28	2700.
December	36	9970.
Total Received	383	\$40,301.75

I wish to thank all Town Officials for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger E. Gaboury
Inspector of Plumbing & Gas



Bellingham Police Department

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CHIEF OF POLICE
RARD L. DAIGLE

As Chief of Police, I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Bellingham Police Department for the year ending December 31, 2008.

As we move on to the next fiscal year, we look back at 2008 as a year of apprehension and uncertainty. We spent considerable time worrying about where we were headed, not only as a Town, but as a nation financially.

As times get tougher, the business of Law Enforcement gets busier. We see foreclosures of homes recently built, people losing their jobs, and an increase in repossession of motor vehicles in the middle of the night. People are becoming desperate and crime rates are going up.

We can expect to see more and more domestic situations as tensions rise at home. We can expect to see more armed robberies, larcenies and fraud as people look for ways to make ends meet. These situations call for swift and professional response by our Police Officers to keep our community a safe place to live and to visit.

These instances call for swift police action, and we are having trouble staying proactive as manpower levels diminish. The work of the officers on the streets becomes more reactive, responding to calls, doing reports and proceeding on to the next call for service.

Not only are we slowing losing the funds for Community Policing, but we are also losing grasp of the main concepts associated with it. With less manpower and more of a drain on the existing manpower, the Officers have less time to get into the neighborhoods, and get to speak to and know the residents that they serve. Not having this crucial contact leaves gaps in what the true neighborhood issues are, and where certain problems exist that need to be addressed.

As this report is being written, we are currently short 5 full time Police Officers, and may have to cut back more. It's hard to fathom as the Town grows and our calls for service increase, to be contemplating laying off Policemen, Firemen, and D.P.W. workers. But it's reality.

The Police Department consists of a great team of men and women, willing and able to take on the risks and dangers associated in being on the front lines and keeping our community safe.

This year, we said goodbye to Officer Anthony Carneiro who spent over 14 years on our department. Officer Carneiro transferred to his hometown police force in Milford Ma., and we thank him for his many years of service to the town of Bellingham, and wish him and his family the best on his career move.

This year also brought a change in the town's computer system for Police and Fire. Captain Corriveau is to be commended for all his hard work on getting both departments trained and operational on this new system.

Keeping up with the modern times, and having the ability to share information with other Police Departments is crucial in this day and age for the efficiency and safety of our Police Officers.

Our Town has a very professional group working on the Town's Master Plan to prioritize the needs for the Town in the future. On the infrastructure side, we need not lose focus of our dire need to build a new Police facility when the times change, and the chance arrives. We have wasted enough of the town's money on keeping this current station operational and able to pass yearly inspections. This is something that has been mentioned every year in my annual reports.

We are entering some tough times financially and we are spending considerable time and effort focusing on where to cut, and what programs, jobs, and specialty units to keep in tact, which will enable us to carry on with our daily operations and provide the services required to our residents.

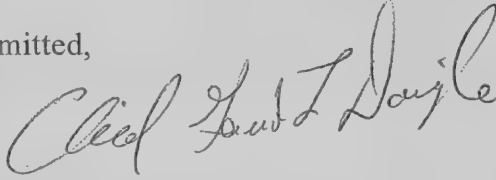
We are struggling to provide services to our schools in terms of D.A.R.E and keeping a student resource officer in our school system full time during the 9 month school year. This has been a priority over the years due to the different nature of problems we face in our schools today, and because of the need for manpower of the streets being able to focus on other problems in the neighborhoods.

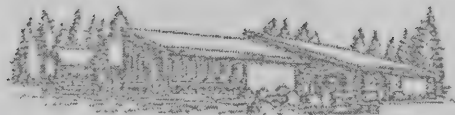
We are hopeful with our new President that things will slowly start to turn for the good for a change. It won't happen overnight, and we must use what resources we have to the best of our ability in the meantime. It's going to take some sacrifices and some major changes in how we operate, and will affect the level of services provided.

In closing, I wish to thank my Administrative staff and all the Officers of the department for another great year. I'd also like to thank the members of our Aux. police force, our town Administrator, Chief Financial officer, and members of the Board of Selectmen for all their assistance again this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerard L. Daigle
Chief of Police
Bellingham Police Department

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Chief Gerard L. Daigle". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.



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January 20, 2009

2008 ANNUAL REPORT

"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life." ~ Henry Ward Beecher

Honorable Selectmen:

The library played a crucial role in the community of Bellingham in 2008. This report will show that the library is not just a place to read and borrow books, but a community center that offers services to Bellingham residents of all ages. The facility enables us to provide state of the art services to the community, from book groups to craft making workshops; from Girl Scout Sleepovers to bi-monthly meetings of the Polish Conversation Group.

Staff

In April the Trustees welcomed Bernadette Rivard as our new Library Director. Charlotte Canelli resigned in January and in the interim the library was managed by Barbara Selvitella, a retired MLS librarian. Our excellent staff continues to be dedicated to providing exceptional services to meet the informational, recreational and cultural needs of our community.

Facility

This year we began some cosmetic improvements to some areas of the facility, which after 20 years of use, were showing their age. With generous funding from the Friends of the Bellingham Library we were able to renovate the Community Room Kitchen. The renovation included the installation of additional cabinets and a pantry, which will enable us to store the growing amount of materials we need to support the programming that is done using the kitchen. Also, the sink and countertops were replaced, walls were painted, and soon the flooring will also be replaced. The project has transformed the room from a tired, worn space to a bright organized kitchen in which everything has a place. In early 2009, we will be doing a facelift of a similar nature on the Children's Program Room.

General Statistics

As has been widely publicized recently, libraries become busier places in times of economic downturns, and the Bellingham Library is no exception.

During 2008 we had an increase of 735 new cardholders, a 9% increase. 8,785 people now have Bellingham Library cards; more than half the town's population.

Not only is the number of people holding cards increasing, their visits to the library and circulation of library materials is also increasing, as well as their ability to access library services online through our website. Patrons are also turning to the library for increased public Internet access, be it through our wired or wireless networks. The library had over 110,000 visitors in 2008; the first year visits have surpassed 100,000. This is up 13% from the 2007 number of visitors of 98,000; averaging nearly 400 people per day. Circulation (library materials checked out, renewed or sent to other town libraries) increased 8% to 132,857. Website visits were up 4%. The library's wired Internet access computers were used for 13,704 sessions during the year, up 2% from the previous year.

CMRLS, CW/MARS and MBLC Affiliations

Integral to the services we provide are agencies with which the library is affiliated.

The Central Massachusetts Regional Library System (CMRLS) provides access to online databases that our patrons can access from home or in the library. These databases provide access to magazine, journal, newspaper, and reference source materials. The benefit of these databases is that they are known good sources to which we can refer patrons doing research for educational, information or recreational purposes. CMRLS also provides the delivery of library materials. Through their services, between 1,000 and 1,500 items per month are shared between Bellingham and other libraries. Through the delivery system, if a Bellingham patron requests a book that the Bellingham Library either does not own or our copy is not available, the book is received, usually within a couple of days, from one of hundreds of other libraries in the shared database.

The Central/Western Automated Resource Sharing (CW/MARS) is our library network. The annual dues we pay to CW/MARS enables our use of the shared database that facilitates the sharing of library materials among member libraries. CW/MARS also provides our computer network for both staff and public access computing and access to a select number of research databases.

The Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) is the state agency that supports, improves and promotes library services in the Commonwealth. The MBLC certifies that libraries meet standards in order to be eligible for state aid and Library Technology Services Act federal grants. These standards include a variety of metrics, such as the number of hours the library is open, the education level of staff and funds spent on library materials.

Services offered in 2008

Throughout the year the Bellingham Library has provided *free wireless Internet access* for patrons. This service is used daily by patrons using their own laptops and wireless devices to access library services, their own email and the Internet. In addition, the wireless service is available to groups that use our Community Room to make presentations, and conduct educational seminars and workshops.

The library has continued to be a gathering place for numerous community groups. In 2008 our *Community Room* hosted groups from all aspects of the community, including the Town of Bellingham, Boy and Girl Scout groups, sports groups of all ages, the Bellingham Arts Center and Cultural Council, local businesses and business groups, school groups, Mom's clubs, playgroups, home schooling groups, the Polish Conversation Group, ten different condo associations, and the Bellingham crafters. The room was used by 14% more groups in 2008 than in 2007.

Library staff worked hard to gather *publicity* to promote our programs and services. Each week we submit an article to the Country Gazette keeping the community apprised of library events. The Bellingham Bulletin does a wonderful job of covering library events. In addition to the upcoming event schedule that we provide to them on a monthly basis, their reporters are proactive in covering library sponsored programming and events. In the fall of 2008 the library began distributing a monthly informational flyer along with the monthly calendar. Previously the calendar had been distributed only in the library. We began distributing the flyer and calendar on a monthly basis not only in the library, but on the library website and through an email sign up with our "Google Group." The library also published a newsletter in the summer of 2008 that was distributed to every home in Bellingham in the Bellingham Bulletin. We hope to publish two newsletters in 2009. Each month we send updates to the local cable television station so they can promote our programs on the Cable 8 Community Information Bulletin Board.

In 2008 the library provided a variety of *programs for adults*. We hosted lectures on topics including: taxes, real estate, health issues, financial planning, college financial aid, and the supernatural. We also hosted music events including a presentation from Steps Off Broadway and a jazz concert by Too Human. We hosted the Cultural Council's annual Art and Photography shows, and in December featured a hands-on workshop with Greg Maichak, a pastel artist. Numerous times throughout the year library staff served distance-learning college students as proctors for their tests and exams. In 2008, as we do every year, the library was the local facility where community members could pick up state and federal tax forms.

Our *Reference Librarian*, Cecily Christensen's hours were increased by 3 hours per week to enhance the service offered for homework help in the after school hours. This has resulted in an 81% increase in the number of reference questions asked and answered. Cecily is on the reference desk 25 hours per week providing top-notch reference and information services to the patrons of the Bellingham Public Library.

Our *Circulation Staff* is the backbone of the daily operation of the library. Their exceptional customer service skills keep the library operating on a smooth basis every day. Whether it is answering phone calls, assisting patrons in locating library materials, working the check out desk or maintaining order in the library, the value of their contribution cannot be overestimated.

Children's programming continues to be the library's most well attended, and in demand service. Nearly every day Nina Hunt, our Youth Services Librarian, has events planned for children of all ages. Programming in 2008 included three to five weekly sessions of Ring-A-Ding-A-Sing Thing. It is our most popular program, which has attracted as many as 72 people with an average of 40 people attending each session. Also, periodically throughout the year, Rhythm & Rhyme time story time is offered once a week. Nina has also offered 5 week courses for home schooling families, exercise classes for mothers and children, family fun time activities, interactive movie days, and pumpkin painting for Halloween.

Every holiday or special event, usually at least once a week, the library holds a craft making event for children, often as part of a party to celebrate the holiday or event. Some of the craft events are gift making sessions for children to make gifts for parents, grandparents, or siblings. This year we held the first annual Harvest Festival on Halloween. Children came to play carnival type games, bob for apples and compete in our pie eating contests.

In June of 2008, Nina Hunt visited the elementary schools in town to promote the library's *Summer Reading Program*. The theme for this year's summer reading program was "Wild Reads." Throughout the summer, to support our effort to increase summer reading by children, the library offered many events to encourage summer reading. The summer kicked off with an early July magic show with Steve Rudolph. Other programs included a "Winter in July" afternoon of ice skating, sledding and snowball fights; numerous craft events; an Animal Adventures program, a Harry Potter Birthday Party, an Unbirthday Party; Pumpernickel Puppets show; and a 6 week Movie Makers program in which the children filmed and produced their own movie with the assistance of the technical staff at the Bellingham Cable Access station.

Our *Young Adult Programming* also increased during 2008. With the support of funds from an LSTA "Teens & Tweens" grant, the library was able to offer after school support services to the middle and high school students of Bellingham. Every Monday through Thursday, when school is in session, the Community Room is transformed into "Teen Zone," a supervised after school program where there are numerous activities for middle and high school student participation. Not only is there homework help, a place to socialize with friends and a supportive environment, there is fun! Funding from the grant has enabled us to purchase video game equipment. We now have an XBOX, Wii and Playstation 2 for the teens to play fun, educational and competitive games. In addition to the regular after school programs, Leslieanne Lavallee, our Young Adult Librarian, has offered numerous other programs of interest to these middle and high schoolers. These included an Unvalentine's Day Party; craft making events; Japan Club; Teens Cook; Teen Game Nights; Guitar Hero Tournaments; Red Cross Babysitting Training Courses; Magic the Gathering Club Nights; Teen Yoga Classes; and Henna Tattoo Painting.

In addition, Leslieanne has instituted a Young Adult Advisory Board, a group of teens who meet monthly to participate in decision making not only for the focus of the "Teen Zone" program, but also to assist with selection of library materials that are of interest to teens.

The librarians and library staff continued their *professional development* by attending workshops held by CMRLS and CW/MARS. In addition numerous staff members attended annual conferences of the Massachusetts Library Association and the New England Library Association. The Director participated in a NELINET Leadership Conference focusing on preparing the next generation of library leaders. Bernadette

Rivard, the library director, serves on the CMRLS Continuing Education Committee and the Simmons College Graduate School of Library & Information Science Alumni Board.

In 2008, the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the MBLC started a pilot project to select public libraries to serve as *Disaster Recovery Centers* in the event of a disaster. The library director attended a workshop led by MEMA and FEMA representatives to explain the program. She then met with Jim Haughey, our local emergency manager, to discuss the workshop. FEMA representatives then did a site survey of the library to determine if the facility met FEMA standards. FEMA and MEMA will meet with the local emergency management team to determine what role the library would play in the event of a community disaster. Even if the library is not chosen as a Disaster Recovery Center, the FEMA and MEMA representatives stated that public libraries will be used as the place for the community to get information about disaster recovery services, especially after the immediate emergency is mitigated and the Disaster Recovery Centers close.

Two *mandatory state reports* were submitted in 2008. The Annual Report Information Survey (ARIS) was sent in mid-August; the State Aid Application was sent in October. These reports make the library eligible to receive state aid and grant funding from the MBLC.

In 2008 The *Friends of the Library* funded programs, activities, museum passes, a public copy machine and the kitchen remodeling project. The Friends of the Library funded \$1,445.99 for costs of programming; \$3,450.00 in museum passes; \$1500 for the copier lease; and \$7,590 for the kitchen renovation. Without this funding, many of the wonderful programs we offer to the community would not be possible. We thank the members of the Friends for their hard work raising funds for the library year-round.

In 2008 the library expanded its *volunteer program* to a more formal process. In addition to creating volunteer position descriptions, the library instituted a program where all volunteers undergo a CORI background check before beginning service. The library has added 6 additional volunteers this year. We have a total of 11 volunteers; seven volunteers who work through the town's senior tax write off program and four other community volunteers. Our volunteers work an average of 85 hours per month. In this time of increased demand for our services, having reliable volunteers enables our staff to concentrate on library projects requiring specific skill or knowledge, and allowing our volunteers to contribute to the smooth running of the library.

In closing, the Library Director, Library Staff and Library Trustees wish to thank the community for its continued support of the library. Everyday we see how the library opens doors to new worlds for children learning to read; teens learning their way in the world; adults looking for new opportunities; and seniors exploring educational and creative ways to use their free time. It is a pleasure to serve you!

Respectfully submitted,



Bernadette Rivard, Library Director

Michael Carr, Trustee Chair

Pamela Perry, Vice Chair

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BELLINGHAM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ANNUAL REPORT

CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

Transportation and Roadways

Traffic and roadway problems remain the biggest and most complex issues facing the Department of Public Works (DPW). The dollars needed to maintain and improve our roadways and traffic control systems is well below what is available in this very difficult economy.

Some funds were appropriated at the October town meeting to supplement the annual Chapter 90 road fund allocation we receive from the State. A long list of projects was reviewed by the Road Committee and a few projects that we could afford were approved. Projects undertaken in 2008 included:

- The completion of top course paving on Andrew Street (Scott Hill Boulevard to Lake Shore Drive). Water mains and storm drains were installed in 2007, and the base course of pavement was constructed.
- The reconstruction of Westminster Street (Pulaski Boulevard to Lawrence Street). Water services were renewed and sub-drains installed to eliminate a major groundwater runoff problem. The sidewalks in the area were also reconstructed. As with Andrew Street, we will install the top course of pavement next year.
- The reconstruction of a section of Hartford Avenue (Maple Street to the Cemetery). This project was coordinated with the road widening required for the development of the new Irving gas station and convenience store. The project included replacement of water services, drainage improvements, roadway widening, addition of a turn lane for the new business, and construction of a new sidewalk. About 65% of project funding came from the private developer.
- Surface improvements on Pulaski Boulevard. Isolated areas were milled and repaved to improve the ride as it appears that the State funded ten million dollar reconstruction project will not get under way until 2010 at the earliest.
- The interim improvements in the Town Center signals. This is the last phase of the interim improvements designed to gain some improvements for safety and congestion. Although it took three years to complete, all the construction costs were covered by private developers.
- The culvert crossing Lake Street near Cross Street. The end sections of the very narrow culvert were found to be a hazard to vehicular traffic; therefore the culvert / bridge was restricted to one lane of travel for much of the year. The single lane option kept wheel loads away from the decaying ends. The new culvert was completed in November. The culvert work is part of an overall plan to improve the Lake Street and the Cross Street intersection. With only minimal funds available, the other improvements (roadway geometry and storm drains) will have to wait.

Two projects that the Road Committee prioritized for 2009 include:

- Surface improvements on Pearl Street, to repair the chronic pothole problems.
- Surface improvements on Hartford Avenue near the entrance to the Wal-Mart and Cinema plazas, where lane rutting has occurred.

Future projects on the radar when funding becomes available include:

- New sidewalks, drainage improvements, and roadway reconstruction on Blackstone Street west of South Main Street are planned. The Conservation Commission approved the plans for this project in 2007.
- Sidewalk and roadway reconstruction is needed on two sections of Route 126:
 - South Main Street (between Easy Street and the Town Center), and
 - Hartford Avenue (west of Maple Street).
- Lake Street needs to be reconstructed with storm drain improvements. This major north to south alternate route is in poor condition and storm drains are needed to solve puddle problems. Ideally, sidewalk construction would also be part of this overall project but that will be dependent upon the availability of funds.
- Town bridges need some attention. Our engineers have prepared a list of recommended safety improvements that should be done at six bridges. The price tag is just over a million dollars. The report, as well as the State's routine inspections, indicates that none of the bridges are in eminent danger of collapse, so there is no dire urgency and therefore this critical work has yet to move to the top of the priority list. The bridges are:
 - Maple Street over the Charles River,
 - Depot Street over the Charles River,
 - Hartford Avenue over the Charles River,
 - Plymouth Road over the Charles River,
 - Paine Street over Peters River,
 - Wrentham Road over Peters River.
- Mechanic Street, South Maple and Maple Street intersection is being studied for future improvements. The Planning Board and DPW have used developer mitigation funds to prepare conceptual plans for the "build-out" of this intersection. Meetings have been held with the Mass Highway Department, and they are on board with our conceptual plans. The project is at a 15% design status, with no Town funds presently available to advance it.
- Various drainage and related roadway improvements: Cross Street, Nason Street, Hartford Avenue near the Rosewood Dairy, Pelletier Drive, and all streets around Lake Hiawatha.
- Town wide roadway resurfacing.

It is a long list and funding news is not encouraging. The lack of funding makes the time line for construction of any of these desperately needed improvements undeterminable. Rough estimates are that twenty million dollars is needed to clean up our backlog of roadway improvements and repair projects.

We are not alone but that is no consolation. As a country, we have for years ignored our decaying infrastructure. The American Society of Civil Engineers annual report card gives the country's Roadway System a grade of D – .

We continued our efforts to get the Pulaski Boulevard roadway improvement project placed on the State list for funding. The project extends from Moody Street to the Franklin town line. The Conservation Commission held and closed the hearings, and issued an Order of Conditions. The hearing was held with the Tree Warden for tree removal and replacement. The 100% design plans were submitted to Mass Highway for review. Most exciting, and a little unexpected, was the placement of the project in federal fiscal year 2010 for funding in the first draft of the 2009-2012 funding plan. Nothing is carved in stone, but it appears that the political pressure applied by State Representative Callahan was instrumental in moving the project up on the list. The official list of projects on the 2009-2012 funding plan will be issued in the summer of 2009, and we hope to see the Pulaski project on that list.

The Pulaski project includes: geometric improvements at Crooks Corner and the Paine Street and Wrentham Road intersection; signal improvements of the Crooks Corner traffic lights; new signals at Pulaski Boulevard and Center Street intersection; geometric changes for a future signal at Lake Street; and extensive roadway and drainage improvements from Crooks Corner to the Franklin town line. The project now carries an estimated cost of over fifteen million dollars. We requested the construction of sidewalks from Center Street to the Franklin town line and signalization of the Lake Street intersection, but the State has denied these requests.

The DPW crew, which is diminished due to a hiring freeze, worked on some small scale paving and patching jobs, catch basin repairs, street sweeping, cross walk painting and other roadway system maintenance measures. We also did some more paving on Old Elm Street.

We contracted out the repainting of our traffic markings. The very rainy summer created a scheduling nightmare for the contractor. They got the lines repainted, but not until the fall when air temperatures were not ideal. We can't control the weather but hope to be able to get the annual renew of traffic markings done during the summer in 2009.

As in the past, the DPW hired a summer help crew made up of local high school and college students. Their work included cutting roadside and storm water basin brush, removing weeds, mowing ball fields and cemeteries, working on Parks related projects, painting buildings, removing debris from drainage areas, applying weed killer along sidewalks, along with hydrant inspection and painting. This continues to be a great program that uses available low cost labor during our busiest season and gives local youths a good summer job.

We continue to make every effort to be ready for any winter storm. The DPW staff takes great pride in how we plan and work to keep our roads safe and in better condition than most other area towns. The winter of 2007-2008 came in very hard. December of 2007 saw near record snow falls. Luckily, the rest of the season leveled off to yield an average winter overall.

The winter of 2008-2009 started with a nearly equally bad December, and we are hoping for a milder January thru March.

Storm Drain System

Storm water is the next big water pollution issue. A study completed in 2008 points to storm water that is laden with phosphorus as the main cause of algae blooms and water quality issues in the Charles River.

Phase II of the US Environment Protection Agency (USEPA) of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program that addresses storm water at the municipal level is proposed to be reauthorized in 2009, with additional requirements added. In addition, the USEPA and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) issued draft regulations which will shift some of the burden of resolving this issue onto private property owners. The new regulations, once approved, will require private property owners to obtain a storm water discharge permit. Under the regulations owners of commercial, industrial, or institutional property that have two acres or more of impervious surface will be required to construct site retrofits to collect, treat, and recharge storm water runoff. How well this new program works to improve water quality and where the money will come from to pay the associated costs is anyone's guess.

The Phase II NPDES requires Bellingham and all urban and suburban cities and towns to step up their storm water maintenance and raise public awareness.

Bellingham's 2008 efforts under the Phase II NPDES program include:

- Public education through the use of water bill stuffers, cable TV and Web postings, and broadcasts of Water Resource Committee meetings.
- DPW Staff training with annual color handouts and informational meetings.
- Storm water System maintenance recordkeeping enhancements, with written reports on street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, and storm water facility cleaning. We are also continuing to improve our maps, adding any changes and discoveries.
- Regulatory Upgrades, with revisions to Planning Board procedural rules and Town Bylaws regarding storm water management. Regulations and Bylaws now cover storm water at construction sites from the moment the first yard of earth is moved through long term maintenance of storm water facilities.
- Municipal Housekeeping, which included: preliminary surveys of all municipal properties for proper protection of storm water quality, and plans to construct some improvements needed at the fueling station at the DPW Garage.

Our progress and compliance was good but not great. Generally, the cost of these new programs is simply something we and most cities and towns are not able to fund. The reauthorized Phase II will likely be asked to start storm water outfall monitoring. With over

three hundred outfalls in town, this will likely create a huge new demand on the DPW staff at a time when manpower cutbacks are more than a remote possibility.

There are new very strict dam safety laws that were adopted by the State legislature in response to the national media circus surrounding the 2006 near collapse of the Taunton dam. Now, strict time lines are in place for routine study and eventual elimination of the threat of loss of life or property from dam collapse. This is yet another well intentioned but unfunded mandate, for which the Town will need to appropriate millions of dollars we simply do not have available.

We own four dams: Silver Lake Dam off of Cross Street, Jenks Reservoir Dam off of Lake Street, Crystal Lake Dam on Silver Lake Road, and the Old Mill Dam on Pearl Street. As with our bridges, none are in imminent danger of collapse; however, all but Silver Lake Dam are considered in poor condition. The new State laws require that we come up with a plan to improve the three poor dams, especially as they are also rated "high hazard". A high hazard rating indicates a likelihood of a loss of life and property if the dam collapsed. Studies were funded in May and October and preliminary plans are taking shape. The plan is to eliminate the dam at Crystal Lake, reclassify the dam at Jenks Reservoir to low hazard, and design and construct repairs and improvements to the dam at Pearl Street.

Public Drinking Water Supply

The Town of Bellingham's drinking water supply system includes seventeen groundwater wells, nine pumping stations, three storage tanks, and approximately eighty-five miles of water main. Thirteen of the wells, which are controlled by five pumping stations, are located in the southern part of Town; they draw water from the Blackstone River basin underground aquifer. Four wells, each operated by its own pumping station, are located in the northern part of Town; they draw water from the Charles River basin underground aquifer. The tabular breakdown of water pumped from each pumping station and other system statistics appear later in this report.

The main goal of any water supply system is to provide its customers with a sufficient quantity of safe drinking water. We are in pretty good shape on both the quality and quantity fronts.

Providing safe drinking water is the highest priority for all public water suppliers. Annually, we spend significant funds to perform water quality analysis to insure that our water is safe. The analytical results are compiled and summarized in our annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The CCR tells consumers what contaminants were detected in their drinking water during the previous calendar year and explains all possible health risk related to any contaminant that is detected. It also lists all contaminants for which samples were collected and analyzed. Our 2007 report was delivered to every resident in town as an insert in the May 2008 Bellingham Bulletin. The report that summarizes the 2008 calendar year water analysis will once again be published as an insert in the Bellingham Bulletin.

Test results from 2008 were good with the exception of the month of November during which we exceeded the allowable quantity of water quality samples with detectable Coliform Bacteria. All customers were sent public notification via standard mail delivery informing them of the November issue. Although a concern, there was never any indication of a threat to public

health and no boil water or do not use orders were issued. December samples for bacteria returned to normal and our investigation of the problem did not yield any explanation, making it difficult to plan an approach to prevent future such problems.

We fought a dirty water issue in the north end of town. Brown and black water complaints in the Hartford Avenue area surfaced as our water filtration plant process proved to be unable to remove iron and manganese from the raw water as effectively as it had in past years. Iron and manganese are minerals and not a health hazard, but they do discolor water affecting its aesthetics and often staining laundry. We started investigating the issue with the filtration plant and the most glaring problem detected was that the raw water from the wells has iron and manganese levels that are nearly four times higher than existed when the plant went on line in 1991. Engineering studies were funded in October with two goals. First, to suggest short term modifications that should help return the plant to acceptable performance for the summer of 2009; second, to design long term improvements that should return the plant to peak performance and prepare us for future raw water deterioration and changing regulations.

We had hoped that our Cross-Connection/Back Flow Prevention Program would see some significant improvements in 2008 but we made only modest gains. This program is designed to prevent contaminants from entering our drinking water system from private property sources. We have purchased a new database program geared specifically to Cross Connection Control and thereby will see improvements to recordkeeping and tracking of tests and surveys. The MDEP is getting more aggressive with their enforcement of the Cross Connection Control regulation of this program. We will need to step up our efforts to remain in compliance. We did not have a backflow incident in 2008 and never have, but must continue to be diligent in our efforts to insure that record remains intact.

The summer of 2008 was wetter than average. Short heat waves occurred around the Independence Day holiday but most of the year saw rain events on a regular schedule. An outside watering restriction was placed a few times for brief periods but no long term use restriction was applied.

It appears that MDEP policies, driven by concerns about the water resources in the Charles River watershed, will soon require that we put some type of restriction in place each summer. The wetter than normal summer reduced the overall consumption of water and therefore reduced the revenue collected. Although there may be some shortfalls in the fiscal 2009 budget, the lower usage levels are likely to be a true indication of consumption and revenue that can be expected in the future, when the State water resource issues drive annual restrictions of outside water use.

Water rates were reviewed in 2008, as they will be each year. Increases were needed and applied to cover the significant increase in debt payments associated with the nearly \$3.5 Million of needed infrastructure improvements and upgrade projects constructed over the last few years.

We worked on some water system capital projects in 2008. We replaced a section of water main on Farm Street and all mains on Stone Street. We also added several new valves into the Hartford Avenue water main between Maple Street and the Medway town line. A similar main valve installation project is proposed for South Main Street in the next few years.

The rehabilitation of the Grove Street Standpipe was started in 2007 and completed in 2008. The tank is our largest; it stores 3.1 million gallons.

Our DPW Public Education Administrator, Ms. Lori Fafard, continued to educate the youth of Bellingham on the importance of water and the need to conserve and protect this vital resource. Again this year, Linda Trudeau produced a musical production along with an art show that was presented in September, as a wrap up to the summer long program of arts education with a water resource awareness and conservation theme. We want to thank Linda and Lori for their assistance and creativity.

The 2004 Mass Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) Water Management Act Policy Revisions continue to loom on the horizon. MDEP is trying to control unnecessary water use in an effort to maintain stream flows. We have yet to receive our Draft Revised Water Withdrawal Permit, but did file required renewal forms. It appears evident that MDEP will cut our allowable water withdrawal permit from 3.1 million gallons a day (MGD) to 1.47 MGD and require that we make application to them for any larger usage. As we expended a sizable amount of money to perform studies that indicate that we could withdraw 3.1 MGD safely from Town wells, it is disconcerting that MDEP will now restrict that number based on what we pumped in the last few years. We and all public water suppliers and Towns in Massachusetts, are concerned that the new policy will not just curtail water use, but create a disincentive for businesses. This will likely curtail business development that is needed to fuel our economy and keep our local tax rate low.

Wastewater Collection

Our wastewater is treated at two different treatment facilities. The north end of town is connected to the Charles River Pollution Control District Plant (CRPCD) in Medway and the south is connected to the City of Woonsocket Wastewater Treatment Plant. Therefore, our sewer system is collection only. We operate six sewer pumping stations needed to augment gravity sewers to collect and transport the wastewater to the two out of town treatment facilities.

We have a moratorium on connections to the sewers in the north end of town as we are at the limit of our allowable volume of wastewater to be treated at the CRPCD plant. This is not the case in the south of Town where we are well below the capacity set aside for us at the Woonsocket plant.

With very few new sewers being installed, the size of our system remains fairly small. We have several fixed costs and a small customer base; therefore, customers' sewer bills exceed their water bill. We try to keep the costs under control. Accurate billing and metering along with leak control are the means we have to control costs.

Leaks that enter a sewer system are called Infiltration and surface runoff that enters the sewers is called Inflow. The industry abbreviation for Infiltration and Inflow is I&I. In October, we transferred some of the excess revenue in the sewer enterprise system to study our I&I and if possible reduce the volume of wastewater being sent to the treatment plants.

I&I is a problem as it increases the cost we are charged by CRPCD and Woonsocket for treatment. It also can overburden sewer pipes, pumping stations, and the treatment facilities with

relatively clean groundwater and surface runoff. The infiltration of groundwater into sewers can also lower the water level in the aquifer and affect stream flows. We have a relatively young sewer system and leaking is not a huge problem, but as the system ages, it becomes more of a concern. Unlike water system leaks, which make noise, often surface and are obvious; sewer leaks occurs silently in buried pipes. This makes them very difficult to locate. Specialized firms must study pipes with sophisticated video equipment designed to see what is happening in these buried pipes. Once infiltration leaks are located the repairs again require with specialize equipment and are therefore very costly.

A key element of I&I investigation is to confirm sewer meter accuracy. In 2008, we cleaned and rehabilitated our oldest sewer master meter. After the work was completed, the average daily flow registered dropped significantly. This lessens the concern that we were exceeding our treatment capacity at the CRPCD facility. Once we complete a similar rehabilitation of our other CRPCD meter, slated for 2009, we will know whether additional connections to sewers in the north end of Bellingham will be allowed.

Town Cemeteries

The DPW is in charge of Town Cemeteries under the guidance of the appointed Cemetery Committee and Sextons. The Cemetery Committee & Sextons met eight times in 2008.

Although there are several cemeteries in Bellingham, there are only four that are Town owned and only two of them have any land available for gravesite sales and interments. Our inventory of cemeteries includes:

- Scott Cemetery on Center Street,
- Center Cemetery on Mechanic Street,
- North Cemetery on Hartford Avenue,
- Depot Street, a small unnamed cemetery on.

The private cemeteries in Town include:

- Oak Hill Cemetery, which directly abuts the Town's North Cemetery;
- St. Jean the Baptist / Precious Blood cemetery on Wrentham Road, which is a very large free standing cemetery;
- Union Cemetery, which directly abuts the Town's Center Cemetery. We mow this cemetery and receive an annual payment for providing that service.
- Ukrainian Cemetery on Center Street, which abuts the Town's Scott Cemetery and is clearly divided by a stone wall and fence; and
- Wilcox Cemetery on Lake Street near Rakeville Circle, which is a free standing cemetery.

On Memorial Day, the new Columbarium at the Scott Cemetery on Center Street was dedicated. A Columbarium is a cremation urn mausoleum; an above ground structure designed to intern cremation urns. Donations were received from the Fenoff and Cartier Family that were greatly appreciated and allowed for the installation of benches and flagpoles. Landscaping was added in the early autumn and the Committee was very pleased with the final product. A few

Niches have been sold and the Committee spent a considerable amount of time deciding on the format of engraving niche doors.

Other 2008 accomplishments include: the installation of new bulletin boards at Scott and Center Cemeteries; improvements to the guardrail and access road/walk at North and Oak Hill Cemetery.

The DPW would like to thank Cemetery Committee & Sextons: James Haughey, Francis Cartier, and William Spear for their service and assistance.

General

Many large DPW projects are needed to keep the vital assets that make up our transportation, water supply, and sewer collection infrastructure in good operating condition. A long list of projects has been submitted to the Board of Selectmen, Capital Improvement Committee, and Finance Committee for consideration.

One significant project is the DPW facility improvements. The top priorities of the DPW facility improvement plan includes: reduction of employees' exposure to vehicle fumes, improvements to mechanic's work area, installation of environmentally compliant vehicle wash facility, relocation of the Parks equipment from its present location adjacent to a drinking water supply well, increased salt storage, and increased storage space for the large fleet of public works equipment.

The idea of a joint municipal campus on Blackstone Street has been suggested. Although very early in the planning stages, the idea is one very large new building housing the desperately needed new police station along with the new DPW near the Fire Station.

Public works projects compete with capital requests from other departments and public works projects always carry very big price tags. It appears that no major projects will move forward until the overall economic condition, and the Town's ability to borrow money for infrastructure projects, improves significantly. Our ability borrow fund will get better in 2014 when debts will be paid off on several capital projects built fifteen to twenty years ago. At that time, the long list of public works and other capital projects could possibly be considered.

We continue to review and comment on private project plans submitted to the various Town Boards and Committees. Although 2008 saw the near disappearance of residential subdivision proposals, a steady stream of commercial development plans came across the DPW and Planning Board staff's desks.

The Shoppes at Bellingham is the single largest project we have seen in years. The hearing process started in 2007 with various Town Boards. As 2008 ended hearings are still open with the Planning Board and Conservation Commission. This is a huge project and will create huge impacts, which are being carefully studied and reviewed.

Two new and interesting Maple Street developments completed the Planning Board review process in 2008; a multiple sports field complex near High Street, and an indoor motocross motorcycle practice facility near Pine Street.

A new Best Buy warehouse was permitted and under construction by late October. Several other small commercial developments made their way through the permitting process.

Bellingham still has many large tracts of undeveloped land and we expect to continually see proposals for their development. The DPW will continue to work closely with Town Boards to minimize impact to our existing residents and systems.

The DPW staff would like to thank the consultants who worked for us in 2008. These firms of engineers and technicians know our systems and facilities and are readily available to help us with specific tasks and emergencies. By contracting with these firms, we eliminate the need for an engineering department and have a great pool of specialized talent.

BETA Group	Road Projects, Mapping Pavement Management
Daniel Drake	Project and Site Development Inspection
G & L Electric	Facilities Electronics
Gannett Fleming, Inc.	DPW Facilities Design
Guerriere & Halnon	Drainage & Survey
Haley & Ward, Inc.	Water Supply & Storage
Legacy Mark, LLC	Cemetery Mapping & Database Management
MDM Consultants	Traffic Analysis
Pare Corporation	Dams
Stantec, Inc.	Water System & Facilities
SEA Consultants	Wastewater & Water Resource Planning
STV, Incorporated	Bridges
Weston & Sampson Engineers	Environmental Compliance
Weston & Sampson Services	Facilities Instrumentation

Conclusion:

As the Massachusetts and world economy is in the worst condition it has been since the Great Depression, all projects and efforts are feeling the budget crunch. We have a long list of DPW projects none of which are "pork". We continue to ask all residents for their patience and support as we try to maintain acceptable levels of service and repair for our Town's public works infrastructure in these severe times.

The entire staff would like to thank the residents of Bellingham for their support. We look forward to serving you in 2009 and beyond.

REPORT SUBMITTED BY:

Donald F. DiMartino
DPW Director

ROADWAY SYSTEMS

TYPE	MILES
TOWN ACCPETED WAYS	79
UNACCEPTED WAYS	13
TOTAL TRAVEL WAYS	92

PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLY

FACILITIES	QUANTITY
PUMPING STATIONS	9
GROUNDWATER WELLS	17
CORROSION CONTROL	5
FILTRATION PLANT	1
STORAGE TANKS	3
STORAGE VOLUME (MG)	5.1
WATER MAINS (MILES)	88.0

WATER PUMPED FROM WELLS

MONTH	GALLONS
JANUARY	40,532,677
FEBRUARY	31,779,268
MARCH	34,343,662
APRIL	38,297,010
MAY	42,943,501
JUNE	56,642,965
JULY	63,811,732
AUGUST	50,076,833
SEPTEMBER	42,957,896
OCTOBER	38,160,496
NOVEMBER	35,437,765
DECEMBER	37,617,664
TOTAL	512,601,466

WATER PUMPED INTO SYSTEM

PUMP STATION	GALLONS
STATION 1	53,282,148
STATION 2	25,905,576
STATION 3	49,475,192
STATION 4	73,209,414
STATION 5	38,003,018
STATION 11	31,948,947
STATION 12	165,838,516
FILTRATION PLANT	65,770,735
TOTAL	503,433,546

PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLY (CONTINUED)

	Gallons
DAILY AVERAGE PUMPED	1,400,550
DAILY AVERAGE CONSUMED	1,375,501
MAXIMUM DAY PUMPED	2,560,000
MAXIMUM PUMPING DAY	June 9th

GALLONS METERED TO CUSTOMERS	414,558,150
GALLONS SOLD TO OTHER TOWNS	Zero
GALLONS UN-METERED TRACKED:	9,639,928
FLUSHING HYDRANTS	7,579,543
FILTRATION PLANT BACKWASH	9,167,921
WATER BREAKS & OTHER TRACK USAGE	2,028,090
STREET SWEEPER FILLING	32,295
UNACCOUNTED FOR WATER	79,235,468
PERCENTAGE	15.7%

METERED CUSTOMERS:	
DOMESTIC	5396
COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL	397
UN-METERED CUSTOMERS:	
SUMMER TAKERS	2
DOMESTIC	2
TOTAL	5797
METERS RE-READ BY OWNER:	
(TRANSFERS OR PROPERTY CHANGES)	181
METERS (MISCELLANEOUS)	
SECONDARY METERS IN SYSTEM	21
WATER METERS RECYCLED	233
NEW METERS AND SERVICES:	
INSTALLED BY DPW	1
INSTALLED BY OTHERS	22
HYDRANT MAINTENANCE:	
PAINTED	213
REPAIRED	15
REPLACED	7
INSPECTED	213
FLUSHED	260
WINTERIZED	13
NEW HYDRANTS	0
TOTAL IN SYSTEM	1089

WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM**FACILITIES**

GRAVITY SEWER MAINS	21.3 Miles
SEWER FORCE MAINS	3.4 Miles
LOW PRESSURE FORCE MAINS	0.4 Miles
MANHOLES	626
PUMPING STATIONS (TOWN)	6
PUMPING STATIONS (PRVT)	5
SEWER SIPHONS	1

CONNECTIONS

TOTAL AVAILABLE	1456
CONNECTED BEFORE 1/1/07	1546
CONNECTED DURING YEAR	30
TOTAL CONNECTED	1576

SEWER FLOWS / TO TREATMENT PLANTS

	Gallons
Charles River Pollution Control District	107,263,154
Woonsocket Wastewater Treatment Plant	36,852,940

DPW SERVICE CALLS:

METERS REPLACED DEFECTIVE	55
METERS REPLACED FROZEN	7
METERS RECYCLED	233
SECONDARY METERS INSTALLED	21
BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES TESTED	332
HIGHWAY SERVICE CALLS	622
WATER SERVICE CALLS	487
FROZEN WATER SERVICES THAWED	0
EMERGENCY CALLS	20
FACILITIES CALLS	3
WATER MAIN BREAKS REPAIRED	9
WATER SERVICE BREAKS REPAIRED	21
SEWER SERVICE CALLS	2
SEWER MAIN BREAKS REPAIRED	0
SEWER SERVICE BREAKS REPAIRED	0
SEWER OVERFLOWS	0

STORMWATER SYSTEM

FACILITIES

CATCH BASINS	2014
MANHOLES	949
PIPES	25 Miles
FREE STANDING INLETS AND OUTLETS	273
STORMWATER BASINS & SWALES	29
BASIN INLET OUTLET HEADWALLS	49

TOWN CEMETERIES

	GRAVE SITES SOLD
Scott Cemetery (Center Street)	5
Center Cemetery (Mechanic Street)	2
	NICHES SOLD
Scott Cemetery Columbarium	8

**Norfolk County Registry of Deeds
2008 Annual Report to the Town of Bellingham
William P. O'Donnell, Register
649 High Street, Dedham, Massachusetts**

The Registry of Deeds is the principal office for real property records in Norfolk County. The Registry receives and records hundreds of thousands of documents each year, and is a basic resource for title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipalities, homeowners, and others with a need for land record information. The Registry of Deeds has been a vital component of Norfolk County government since 1793, the year Governor John Hancock signed legislation creating Norfolk County, also known as the County of Presidents - the home or birthplace of John Adams, John Quincy Adams, John F. Kennedy and George H.W. Bush. The Registry operates under the supervision of the elected Register, William P. O'Donnell. In over two hundred years of continuous operation, the Registry has progressed from the days of scribes with quill pens to computers, scanned documents and off-site access. However, in all that time our objectives have remained the same: accuracy, reliability and accessibility for the residents of the twenty eight communities that comprise Norfolk County.

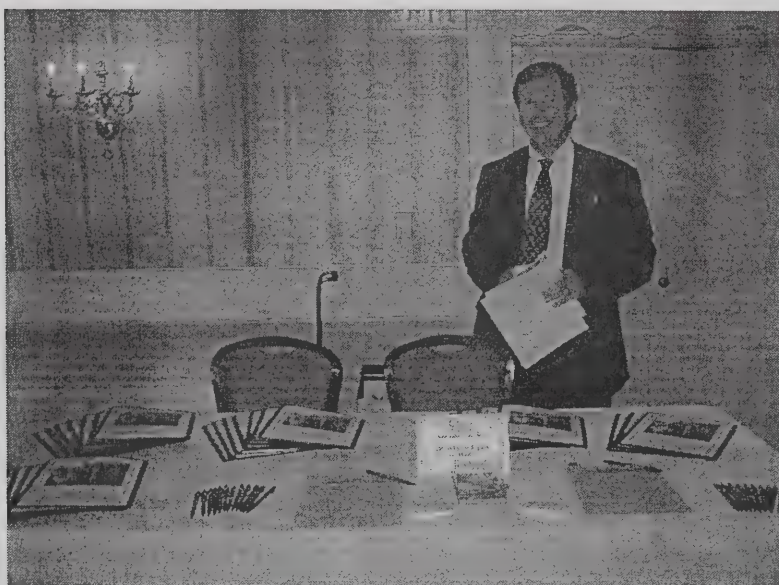
Improved technology and management of records and increased levels of customer service remain areas of major focus for the Registry of Deeds. Initiatives include:

- A community outreach office hours program that will bring Register Bill O'Donnell and the mobile Registry of Deeds to Bellingham on February 11, 2009.
- Free public viewing access for every document including land plans recorded by the Registry since its inception in 1793 via the internet at www.norfolkdeeds.org. The Registry regularly updates and enhances the site to include recent news, trends, press information, and answers to frequently asked questions.
- An ability for those who such as attorneys, title examiners, realtors, lenders, surveyors and civil engineers who establish an account with the Registry to print documents directly from their offices for \$1.00 per page.
- A continuing technology fund investment in computer hardware in the Registry itself to insure that anyone wanting to access the records can do so.
- The expansion of the internet accessible indexing system back to 1955.
- A full service telephone and walk-in customer service center and the addition of closing rooms and tables to encourage the citizens of Norfolk County to feel comfortable in using their Registry.

Bellingham was typical of the other towns in Norfolk County showing decreased real estate activity in 2008 recording a total of 377 deeds, 7.6% fewer than in 2007. As it did in so many other communities, the average price of a Bellingham real estate sale (greater than \$1,000 - residential and commercial properties combined) declined sharply falling 31.7% and at the end of 2008 stood at \$328,218. The total dollar volume of real estate sales in Bellingham for 2008 settled at \$75.8 million, a 34.5% decrease from 2007. There were 783 mortgages recorded in Bellingham in 2008 which translates to 29.9% fewer than in 2007. Real estate activity was relatively steady throughout the year with July the busiest month accounting for 10.7% of the town's total recordings.



The Norfolk County Advisory Board December meeting at the Registry



Register Bill O'Donnell hosts a community outreach office hours session

VETERANS' SERVICES

The Veterans Services program continues to provide prompt service to the Town's veteran population and their dependents. Over the past year, services were provided as follows:

Number of Veterans Receiving Benefits: 8

Number of Veterans and Dependents Serviced or Provided Counseling: 63

Veterans seeking assistance are encouraged to contact the Veterans' Services Office for information on program offerings. We are proud to service the veteran community and stand ready to answer their call.

Respectfully submitted,

**Raymond R. Gagne
Veterans' Agent**

**Denis C. Fraine
Administrative Assistant
to Veterans' Agent**



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Eugene F. Reckert

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Bellingham:

PERMITS ISSUED 2008

MONTH	PERMITS ISSUED	AMOUNT RECEIVED
January	23	1750.
February	15	1000.
March	22	1361.
April	35	3375.
May	31	9220.
June	29	5113.
July	36	2680.
August	29	8005.
September	31	4140.
October	33	2405.
November	30	3465.
December	27	20853.60
Re-Inspections	4	125.
Total Received	345	\$63,367.60

I wish to thank all Town Officials for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene F. Reckert
Inspector of Wires

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

Worker's Compensation Agent

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WORKERS' COMPENSATION REPORT – 2008

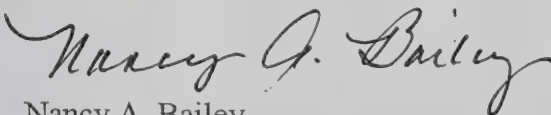
MIIA (Massachusetts Inter-local Insurance Association) is the Worker's Compensation carrier for the Town of Bellingham.

Due to the care taken by employees in their day-to-day job procedures, and the maintenance of public buildings and their surroundings, job-related injuries have been kept to a minimum. Twenty-five (25) work-related injury reports were filed, most with no medical attention required. Five (5) work-related injuries did result in lost time from work.

The Town of Bellingham strives to keep work-related injuries down. Meetings are held with Department Heads and MIIA representatives to discuss various ways to make the workplace safe for all employees.

Through Health Resources, the Occupational Health Nurse has office hours at the Municipal Center on Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to monitor work-related injuries and offer valuable health information for all Town employees. The Occupational Health Nurse may be reached at (508) 657-2804.

Respectfully submitted;



Nancy A. Bailey
Worker's Compensation Agent

THE ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2008
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
AND
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM
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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The annual School Committee reorganization took place this year on May 13, 2008. Mr. Stephen Patrick was elected Chair, Mr. Francis Cartier, Vice Chair, and Mr. Michael J. O'Herron, Treasurer. Mrs. Cheryl Gray was appointed to the School Committee. Mrs. Beth Ladouceur was appointed School Committee Clerk.

The school committee was notified that Dr. Mattocks would be retiring as of June 30, 2008. In an effort to find a replacement the School Committee appointed a search committee represented by parents, staff, administrators, School Committee, town officials, and community members. During the months of January through April 2008, the superintendent search committee conducted interviews for the Superintendent of Schools.

The School Committee deals with a variety of issues throughout the year, many of which are related to their two primary areas of responsibility: addressing policy and budget issues. Some of these issues include the following:

In May of each year the School Committee appoints their liaisons and set the School Committee Goals. The School Committee with the recommendation from superintendent search committee conducted candidate interviews for the Superintendent of School.

During the month of June the School Committee appointed Mr. David Fischer as the Superintendent of Schools with a 4 to 0 vote. The School Committee annually reviews any proposed Student Handbook changes, reviews Capital Improvement Plan and requests, and recognizes retiring staff.

In September the School Committee ratified the Bellingham Teachers Contract and reviewed the updated the Elementary Report Card.

Each year in October the School Committee must appoint a voting member to the annual Massachusetts Association of School Committees conference which is held in November. The Committee reviewed the MCAS results for secondary schools.

November is the month when the Committee begins the budget process by opening the application process for town citizens to serve on the Budget Review Committee. Applicants were appointed at the December meeting. The School Committee reviewed the quarterly budget report.

The School Committee had one meeting in December and reviewed the revised district goals and honors the recipient of the Superintendent's Award for Excellence.

During the month of January, the Committee continues work on the budget, meets with each principal to review School Improvement Plans which may have a direct impact on the school budget before entering into the budget process and completed the Superintendent's mid-year evaluation.

March brings us to the budget workshop and Public Hearing for the School Budget and the School Choice participation review. School Choice must be voted on by each school district annually and then the decision is submitted to the Department of Education for their records. The Committee also reviews any Capital requests.

The month of April is busy with the budget presentation to the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee.

The School Committee continues to work actively to support the goals and mission statements of the district and help provide the best possible education opportunity for the students of Bellingham. We wish to recognize the efforts of our Superintendent, administration, faculty and staff, to ensure the success of our students in partnership with parents who are actively involved with their children's education. We believe that together, we can be successful in meeting our goal of creatively challenging, and fully developing, Bellingham's most valuable resource - our children.

Sincerely,
Stephen Patrick, Chair
Francis Cartier, Vice Chair
Michael J. O'Herron, Treasurer
Ronald L. Martel
Cheryl Gray

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The Bellingham Public School District is on a mission to become widely recognized for its commitment to excellence in education and a safe and secure environment conducive to both teaching and learning. It is becoming an exemplary community of learners where colleagues share a passion for teaching and ensuring the success of all students. Our teaching staff is committed to professional development for the advancement of education and they consistently demonstrate a willingness to enhance skills in order to become more effective teachers. They are learning new strategies that will improve individual performance, which in today's technology-rich environment must extend well beyond the classroom walls. Knowing that the most effective teaching and learning takes place when the learner is actively engaged, education in Bellingham Schools aligns and integrates technology with core academic standards. Our staff has demonstrated a willingness to modify, redesign and build strengths that will result in a more effective delivery of instruction to meet changing curriculum and learning standards. Educators in Bellingham have a strong desire to ignite and rekindle student interest in learning. Beyond engaging all students as active learners, we respect the value of parent involvement in the learning process and are supportive of district goals that encourage high academic achievement.

The Bellingham Public School District has a total current enrollment of 2549 students and an organizational staff of 403. The district is comprised of an early childhood program, three elementary schools (K-4), one middle school (5-8), an alternative high school for students with special needs, and a comprehensive high school (9-12). The curricula for every grade level are well established and teach children not only the basics, but also how to think critically and creatively. The instructional program features a broad array of course offerings, special education for varying needs, advanced placement and honors programs, and computer instruction at every level to enhance understanding and learning. The district also employs an experienced team of school counselors to meet the needs of students and families and to provide easy access to support services.

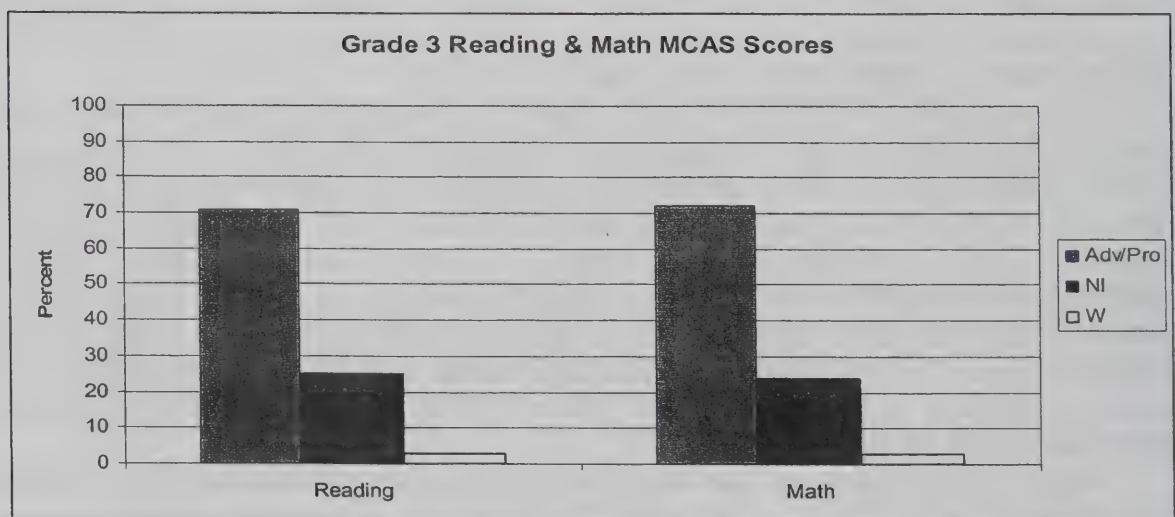
As part of its long-range plan for technology, the district continues to move forward with technology applications and upgrades. The district has emerged as a leader in using technology to enhance its learning-centered environment and now has more than 1,000

computers in place for students and teachers to use. There are computer labs in all schools. Every teacher in the district has a computer workstation, and most classrooms are equipped with computers for students' use.

The Bellingham School District takes pride in its ability to provide educational programs that meet the needs of students with diverse backgrounds, varied interests, differing abilities, and special needs. We are proud to have caring, competent and committed staff that are focused on addressing the needs of all students, and working together as partners to help all students succeed. In the Bellingham Schools, mutual understanding and respect characterize continuous efforts to improve academic achievement and prepare each student for success in a global environment.

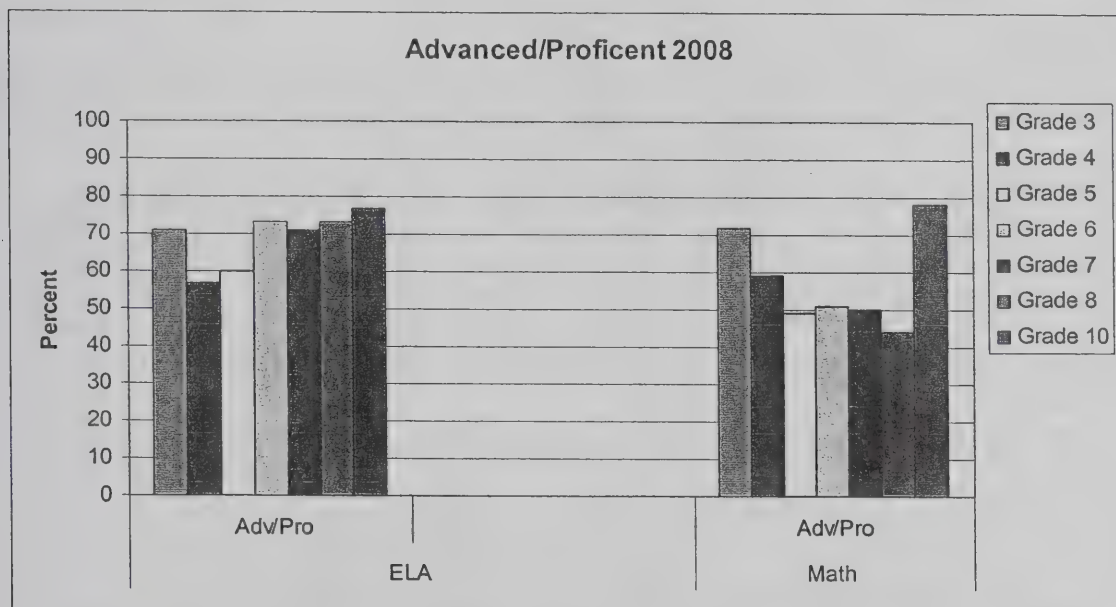
State mandates require that all students perform at a proficient level as defined by the state's MCAS accountability system. For students to graduate in the 2008-2009 school year they must meet the states minimal level of performance which is a scale score on the MCAS of 220 in English, Mathematics and Science. To keep the district aligned with this testing system the school committee in December adopted new district exit goals for all students. The new goal states "By 2014 all students who graduate from Bellingham Public Schools will meet all local, state and federal graduation requirements. Students at all other levels will meet or exceed the grade level performance targets as established by local, state and federal regulations". This new goal will allow the district's staff to focus on student achievement with the end in mind.

The district continues it positive trend in MCAS performance with the elementary level again scoring in the top third of the state in both English Language Arts and mathematics. The district scores in Literacy remain high with over 70% our students in the advanced or proficient range. Mathematics continues to improve with a 4% gain last year at the fourth grade level. Of particular note are the third grade English scores where students again maintained the high standard achieved last year. Overall 71% of third grade students scored proficient or above in reading and 72% scored proficient or above in mathematics. These results demonstrate focusing on student achievement in the primary grades has a direct impact on the later grades. We plan to continue this process by expanding the use of improved teaching strategies related to MCAS expectations into the Middle School.



The Fourth Grade students also continue to improve their scores with almost 60% of our students scoring in the “Advanced” and “Proficient” categories in both areas. Math scores have improved so much at the elementary level that statistically they mirror the Literacy scores at both grade levels. These math scores demonstrate a three year gain of 24% in math in fourth grade something our students and teachers should be very proud of. Our Literacy scores have also seen a 6% gain over the same period. These gains at the elementary level have placed us in the top third of Massachusetts school districts.

Overall, the majority of our students are achieving proficiency in Literacy with most grade levels scoring above 70%. In mathematics, the program continues to show gains at the elementary level which will translate to higher levels of proficiency as these students move through the various grade levels. The chart below demonstrates the achievement levels at each grade in English Language Arts and Mathematics. It is interesting to note the increase in math proficiency at the high school level.



At the high school level, most of our students passed the MACS test at the proficient or advanced level in both English and mathematics. In English no students scored in the failing category and only 16% were in the needs improvement category. In mathematics, 4% scored in the failing category and 12% scored in the needs improvement category. Students who do not achieve proficiency on MCAS are required by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to complete an Educational Proficiency Plan to demonstrate that they have achieved proficiency of the state frameworks. This process is already in place at the high school and is being successfully implemented.

Making Meaningful Connections is this year's theme because we believe that student success is dependent upon the meaningful connections between all stakeholders, which include parents, teachers, administrators, support staff and members of the Bellingham community. For Bellingham students, the 2008-2009 school year will offer numerous opportunities to making meaningful connections. For example, we are working to ensure that all of our students feel accepted and supported by staff members, and increase student's beliefs that their views are included in decision-making.

The Bellingham Public School District will continue to encourage community involvement and support for our schools by providing parents, residents, and the local business community with accurate, thorough and interesting information about our schools.

As our educational journey continues, we know that *Making Meaningful Connections* and working as partners are critical components of our efforts to improve our schools and to accomplish our ultimate common goal of providing outstanding educational opportunities for our children.

Superintendent of Schools
Mr. David Fischer

ANNUAL REPORT STATISTICS

The number of students who received services in our schools in 2008 was approximately 2,549 students. This report will provide information about the educational programs and activities that have been conducted for students in all grades during the calendar year of 2008.

ENROLLMENT

As of December 31, 2008, 2,549 students were enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12 in our schools. This figure represents a decrease in enrollment of 5 student.

ENROLLMENT FOR ALL GRADES, END OF THE FIRST MONTH OF SCHOOL

1980-81 – 3353	1985-86 – 2596	1990-91 – 2227	1995-96 – 2466	2000-01 – 2,706	2005-06 – 2,603
1981-82 – 3265	1986-87 – 2471	1991-92 – 2308	1996-97 – 2574	2001-02 – 2,713	2006-07 - 2,583
1982-83 – 3043	1987-88 – 2420	1992-93 – 2261	1997-98 – 2635	2002-03 – 2,736	2007-08 – 2,554
1983-84 – 2867	1988-89 – 2300	1993-94 – 2311	1998-99 – 2619	2003-04 – 2,721	2008-09 – 2,549
1984-85 – 2746	1989-90 – 2264	1994-95 – 2394	1999-00 – 2648	2004-05 – 2,684	

ENROLLMENT IN EACH SCHOOL AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

GRADE	MACY	SOUTH	STALL BROOK	MIDDLE SCHOOL	HIGH SCHOOL	PRIMAVERA CENTER	TOTALS GRADE	BY
Kind.	63	93	31				187	
K/Gr 1			27				27	
1	50	94	56				200	
2	57	69	56				182	
2/4			3				3	
3	48	75	44				167	
4	56	84	45				185	
5				206			206	
6				220			220	
5/6				5			5	
7				183			183	
8				193			193	
7/8				8			8	
9					208	6	214	
10					172	14	186	
11					171	6	177	
12					171	9	180	
9/12					13		13	
TOTAL	274	415	262	815	735	35	2536	

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORTS:

CLARA MACY SCHOOL –Mrs. Jaime D. Slaney, Principal

Our mission at the Clara Macy School is to provide each student with the highest quality education in a safe and healthy community based environment. We strive to create an atmosphere of high expectations within a collaborative network of students, staff, parents, and community members who encourage students to achieve rigorous academic standards and reach their potential. Instructional decisions are made based on the curriculum frameworks, assessment data, scientifically based research, technological advancements, and current pedagogy. Our goal is to celebrate individual accomplishments, demonstrate respect for each other and the world around us, foster lifelong learners, and guide all students as they become contributing member of society

The results of the 2008 MCAS assessment continue to indicate strong student achievement. Maintaining a focus on small group instruction through in-class support is a primary factor in this achievement. The combination of instructional programs and strategies supported by scientifically based research along with the consistent efforts of a dedicated and capable staff are responsible for continued student achievement.

The results of the standardized assessments such as the MCAS assessment as well as individualized assessments given within the classroom setting form the basis of our instructional decisions. The staff collaborated to analyze the MCAS questions, identifying the specific skills, content, and vocabulary students are expected to know. This analysis was followed by an in-depth analysis of the student responses on both an individual and school wide basis. The resulting data was combined with the assessment data being collected within the classroom to determine the most effective instructional path. Instructional decisions being made in all content areas are data driven in order to target individual needs and strengthen instructional practices.

An important goal at Macy School is to develop the literacy skills each student needs to become a proficient reader and writer. We have created a balanced literacy approach that meets the individual literacy needs of all learners. Specialized reading programs such as *Reading Recovery* continue to be utilized to support the classroom reading instruction and target specific skills. In addition, the *Foundations Reading Program*, the early literacy component for the Wilson Reading System which specifically targets struggling readers, has been implemented in all kindergarten, grade 1, and grade 2 classrooms. This program successfully supports the development of the decoding and encoding skills necessary to be fluent readers. The *Reading Recovery* program incorporates all five components of an effective reading program, as identified by the National Reading Panel, into specially developed *Reading Recovery* lessons. The structure and design of the program is consistent with a large body of substantial research on how children learn to read and write. Each reading program implemented meets the criteria of an effective reading program based on current scientific research. In addition, all teachers participate in ongoing professional development and collaboration in the areas of comprehensive literacy, the use of leveled books and guided reading. Teachers also receive ongoing professional development in the administration and analysis of individualized Reading Assessments such as the Developmental Reading Assessment-2 (DRA-2) and the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Reading Success (DIBELS) in order to determine student instructional needs.

Macy School continues to provide an environment that offers a variety of opportunities in order to meet individual learning needs of our students through a full inclusion program. Reading specialists, speech therapists, and special educators provide academic support within each classroom in order to meet the academic needs of all students and provide for small group instruction. Each classroom is structured to provide an inclusive environment supporting the achievement of high standards for all students.

Technology has become a focus at Macy School this year. Thanks to the support of the PTO, every classroom grades 1 through 4 has a LCD projector. Classrooms in grades 3 and 4 have smart boards. Teachers are utilizing various software and applications including Discovery Education, which streams videos, music and pictures, to bring learning alive for our students.

The commitment to maximize student achievement extends beyond the school day. In order to provide additional support to students, MCAS Review classes were offered both before and after school for students in grades three and four. These classes focused on the grade appropriate skills and strategies included in the MCAS assessment.

The Clara Macy School is committed to the establishment of a strong learning community comprised of parents, teachers, students, and community members. Many programs were held during the year to contribute toward the attainment of this goal. The fall open house was well attended and provided families with an informal opportunity to learn about the curriculum, routines and expectations of their child's classroom. During the month of November we celebrated American Education Week by inviting all families to join their children for lunch or snack. Over 200 people participated in this program which enabled them to share a part of their child's school day. The Winter Celebration highlighted the talents of all students and includes a special performance by the third and fourth grade chorus. The Spring Arts Week provides an exciting conclusion to the school year with a week of cultural events and presentations.

The Macy PTO continues to be a vibrant organization that provides enrichment programs as well as support for teacher initiatives and fieldtrips. Through the efforts of the PTO, the students enjoyed performances that focused on character values, the importance of reading, good test taking skills and imaginative and entertaining aspect of math. The Macy Playground committee raised enough funds for the installation of Phase I of the playground project. We truly appreciate the dedication and support of our PTO.

Macy School continues to benefit from a successful After School Program provided by the YMCA. New programs are continually being offered, some with a more academic component. The following programs have been implemented during previous years of the Macy after School Program: Super Sports, Krafty Kids, and Act Out. All programs have been well received and are very popular among the children. Participation in this program continues to increase. New this year to Macy is the after school BASE child care program which provides child care for families after school.

Macy School continues its journey on strengthening its learning community. Our goal is to instill the love of learning and to provide the skills to become lifelong learners.

SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – Ms. Kathryn D. Wilson, Principal

At South Elementary School we share a commitment to ensuring the achievement of all students. We believe that it is imperative to help students grow in both academic and social competency skills. Our goal is to help students become socially responsible life long learners.

We were very excited with the performance of the South Elementary students on the MCAS in the spring of 2008. Students are continuing to make adequate yearly progress towards the goals of NCLB in both English language arts/reading and mathematics. Analyzing student performance on MCAS tests as well as data from informal assessments provides us with information that drives our educational decisions. This process allows us to identify specific areas of focus within our instruction. As we continue to assess our students we continue to refine the educational programming. By analyzing student responses to interventions provided we are better able to meet their individual needs.

Literacy skills provide the foundation on which all other learning is built. Therefore it is a major focus of our students' days. Students receive direct instruction in phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension strategies, and writing skills. Students practice test-taking skills to prepare for the MCAS. The Reading Recovery Program targets children in first grade and works on improving reading and writing skills. Many teachers have completed graduate level courses in literacy to enhance their reading programs. The Title I program sponsored before-school MCAS preparation classes, a Community Reading Day on March 3rd, and conducted a Books and Bingo Night on April 29th for students and parents. This grant also provided some materials to support the Foundations phonics and Making Meaning programs. Both of these programs have scientific research behind them, demonstrating positive impacts on student achievement.

To support our work in literacy, we held our second Read-a-thon during March and April. This year's theme was a "Leap into Literature." As students read books, they filled out individual frogs that were hung along the outside wall of our library. Students also kept logs of their reading and some got sponsors. More than 160 South students worked together to read over 900 books! This project also raised almost \$700.00 for books for our library. Special book plates were inserted into books purchased with these funds to recognize the efforts of the students.

We continue to review our math curriculum to be sure it is meeting the needs of students and is providing for instruction in all standard areas. All teachers have a copy of a scope and sequence for instruction. By integrating the Scott Foresman Addison Wesley program, Every Day Counts Calendar Math and Investigations, students receive a balance of instruction in skills, concepts, and problem-solving. Students in first through fourth grade also work with Larson's math, a computer-based instructional supplement. This program provides further practice and individualization of instruction.

The science and social studies curriculum topics, based up the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, for kindergarten through fourth grade are in place. Instruction integrates Harcourt materials, teacher-created kits, literature and technology. Our Parent Teacher Organization brings in programs to support units of study.

Technology continues to be used as a tool to enhance the educational experiences of our students. There are 22 computers in our lab, along with an LCD projector and a Smartboard. Each first through fourth grade classroom now has 5 computers and an lcd

projector. All third and fourth grade classrooms also have a document camera. There is an additional document camera and a digital camera housed in our library that can be used in classrooms. Many teachers have participated in technology professional development opportunities focused on teaching with, not about, technology. Students can develop word processing skills within their own classrooms by utilizing the thirty Alpha Smarts on a cart. We have access to online tools such as Reading A to Z and Discovery Education's United Streaming to enhance learning experiences. As a school we are working collaboratively with the Director of Technology to integrate technology across the curriculum.

In 2008 we also instituted our P.A.W.S. program. P.A.W.S. stands for Positive Actions and Words at South. We initiated this program to help support the social emotional learning needs of our students. We held school-wide assemblies and lunch bunches focused on different social competency themes. Our goal is to expand this program in the coming year.

The educational community of South Elementary School is not limited to the faculty and students. We believe it is only through the collaborative efforts of teachers, parents, students, community members, and administration that students will be able to maximize their achievement. In September, many parents visited the school for our annual Meet the Teacher Night. This was an opportunity for parents to learn about the classroom programs and how to enhance the educational process for their children. Parents were invited to attend a volunteer orientation in September. Parents attended conferences in November to discuss the progress of their children. Other events, such as the Educational Fair that was held on March 14th and a parent coffee about the MCAS on an evening in the spring, provide opportunities for parents and families to visit the school, learn about our programs, and enjoy the students' successes.

During the spring, South Elementary School provided opportunities for our incoming kindergarten families to become acquainted with the school. We held an orientation program for parents and scheduled classroom visitations. A bus orientation program for incoming kindergarten students was conducted to familiarize them with bus procedures and safety. This was done to help create a smooth transition into the school. To help transition the kindergarten families joining us in September of 2009, all three elementary schools collaborated to hold an information night in October of 2008.

"Firefighter Phil" is a program on fire safety that is presented to students in grades one to four. This program in conjunction with the "Learn Not to Burn" curriculum is funded by Bellingham businesses and a state grant. Firefighter Chris Mach provides additional fire safety programs for all our students.

The partnership between the home and school is strengthened by the cooperation of the South Elementary PTO. Congratulations to the officers who, by their leadership, have sponsored many wonderful activities for our students. Through successful fundraisers they have sponsored programs and activities for our students. These include cultural events for all students, a Family Fun Night, ice cream social, parties, and memory books. They provided Discovery Science programs for all students covering topics such as animal adaptations, sound, rocks and minerals, magnets, bubbles and lights and lasers. The PTO sponsored many enrichment events for the school such as line-dancing classes, an owl program for second grade, the Rhythm Room, Pumppernickel Puppets, Hermit Crabs, All About Learning Lego Program, author James Gelsey, a dinosaur program, a program about forces and work, and the Roger Williams Zoo Mobile. They provided a variety of instructional materials to support

and enhance learning. The PTO also sponsored a Memory Night for our fourth graders as they prepared to move on to fifth grade at the Middle School.

The School Council was formed as a result of the Education Reform Act of 1993. Parents and teachers are elected to the council for three-year terms. The School Council affords an opportunity for all members to review the school budget, develop school goals and create the school improvement plan. The Council has been very active in addressing and achieving the goals set forth in the school improvement plan this year.

Project Pride raises funds for South Elementary School. Funds are raised through our books fairs. They are used to provide additional instructional materials to enhance the educational experiences for the students at South. This year we used funds from Project Pride to purchase new books for our library, storage containers for the books in our leveled library, and new die cuts for our Ellison machine.

Thanks must go to the entire staff of the Bellingham School Administration Office for their guidance and help throughout the year. The students, parents, and staff that make up the South Elementary School community also deserve praise and recognition for all that they have accomplished again this year.

STALL BROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – Mrs. Helen Chamides, Principal

The mission of Stall Brook Elementary School is for teachers, parents, and staff to work together to create an outstanding educational environment that will build character, support learning, and prepare all students to become contributing citizens in our ever changing society. We are an educational community committed to:

- focusing on the importance of rigorous academic standards and exemplary student achievement
- facilitating learning in different learning styles
- providing an environment that inspires participation, responsible actions, problem solving, creativity, productivity, and the enhancement of self esteem
- involving family and community resources in various phases of the learning process
- supporting the work of a staff that is committed and dedicated to our mission

Instruction at Stall Brook Elementary School is child centered and focused on meeting the individual needs of our learners. Our teachers stress thinking skills and problem solving in mathematics; reading for interpretation and meaning in a variety of genres and in all subject areas; expository and creative writing that is thematically developed, well constructed, and able to capture the reader's interest; investigative learning in science; and understanding the world around us through relevant research and project design. In addition the integration of technology with all aspects of the curriculum has enhanced our students' learning experiences. Children at the elementary level learn best when they construct meaning on their own, work in heterogeneous cooperative groups, and develop strategies for independent problem solving. We currently have one special education K-1 classroom, one full day kindergarten, two half day kindergartens, three sections of first grade, one special education 2-4 classroom, three sections of second grade and two sections each of third and fourth grade.

The analysis of data collected from a variety of ongoing assessments helps teachers form instruction, and students become more involved with setting goals for their own learning. For

example reading assessments that are given several times a year help determine a child's strengths and weaknesses in oral language, phonemic awareness, phonics, concepts of print, letter recognition, sight words, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. The Harcourt Reading basal texts and flexible guided group instruction using appropriate leveled books provide the core for our balanced literacy program. Specialized programs such as Reading Recovery, Foundations, Wilson, Soliloquy, and Soar to Success help selected students receive additional help in literacy instruction. Narrative, persuasive, and expository writing skills are taught utilizing a variety of grade appropriate programs. Writing is integrated with all areas of the curriculum.

In mathematics we continue to use a combination of the Scott Foresman Addison Wesley textbook and "Mathematical Investigations". The Investigations program is excellent for helping children understand concepts, expand their mathematical thinking, and use writing to explain their mathematical reasoning. The Scott Foresman program is excellent for reinforcing and practicing basic skills. Collecting assessment data in mathematics is just as important as in Literacy. Students in grades three and four use computer generated pre and post tests based on MCAS questions to help them plan learning goals. The Larson's Math Program is used by all our students in grades 1-4 to help them practice basic math skills. This interactive computer program allows students to individualize their work, and helps teachers to analyze individual student's progress.

The Harcourt Science Program requires familiarity with the scientific method and students have benefited from this exploratory method of learning. Teaching the Massachusetts Frameworks in Social Studies has meant locating instructional resources that match up with the state's content standards. We have found that working together as a grade level has enabled our teachers to develop relevant, stimulating units of instruction. The utilization of "Discovery Education" and "United Streaming" has greatly enhanced student engagement. In addition our teachers now integrate literature with the social studies and frequently use the internet as a source of additional information to complement the textbooks. Evidence of the high quality of our students' interactive, hands-on learning is showcased during the annual Educational Fair each spring.

There are many opportunities to provide additional instructional experiences for our students. Volunteers, who are often retired educators, work with remedial and advanced groups in math and reading. Our special education teachers, reading specialists, and speech and language pathologist plan and co-teach with classroom teachers every week. They may work with a small group of students on a specialized program, or they may serve as a second educator within the regular education classroom. Our Instructional Learning Assistants move from room to room throughout the day to work with small groups of children.

A school's culture is reflected in the special programs it supports. Our Character Counts Program honors students monthly who exhibit good habits of character. Qualities of self-control, compassion, team work, integrity, responsibility, diligence, and courage have been selected for this year. Because this is Stall Brook School's 35th anniversary year, our theme is "Building Children of Character for Thirty-five Years." Throughout the year students will be researching famous Americans who made important contributions during the past thirty-five years. The biographies of these men and women of extraordinary character are featured at our Character Counts Assemblies. So far the Stall Brook students have learned about Katie Couric, Bill Gates, Mark Spitz, and Dorothy Hamill.

In addition there are many special days that have become part of the Stall Brook School culture. During the fall we let our imagination take hold as we celebrate Fantasy Friday on the last Friday in October. At home families decorate pumpkins and the PTO hosts a “Pumpkin Parade” and an evening of family entertainment. In November and December we stress the spirit of giving by organizing a food drive. No winter school day is more enjoyable than our “Cozy Winter Day” celebration in January. Blankets, stuffed animals, pajamas, and slippers arrive at school. Our students read poems and books about winter, write stories, listen to classical music, and snack on hot chocolate and cookies. The young children have been seen napping in the afternoon. In February we celebrate Friendship Week with a variety of meaningful activities including writing letters to those in the military. March is dedicated to READING and guest readers visited each classroom on “Read Across America Day”. The arts are very special at Stall Brook School and in addition to our annual third and fourth grade concerts, we plan “An Evening of Music, Art, and Literature with our Community Partner Barnes and Noble. As spring approaches we turn our attention to the environment and celebrate Earth Day with a number of special events and school beautification projects. This year we will host a special Anniversary Year Celebration in late April.

The Stall Brook Parent Teacher Organization continues to be essential to our school’s well being. Through their fund raising efforts, our PTO is able to sponsor family and community events, student field trips, cultural arts programs, and provide donations of instructional support materials to our school. Whether it’s a skating party or movie night, an ice cream social or book fair, a school-wide assembly or holiday shop, Stall Brook parents are there to support our school. Our School Council works with our community partners of Barnes and Noble and Whole Foods to sponsor events such as an art show, an author’s visit, or environmental projects. School is a very busy place. The Stall Brook community of parents, students, staff, and alumni is vibrant and active – celebrating children and families every day of the year.

SECONDARY SCHOOL REPORTS:

BELLINGHAM MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL – Mrs. Elaine A. D’Alfonso, Principal

Bellingham Memorial Middle School is now in its seventh year of operation. The school houses 815 students in grades five through eight and is founded on traditional middle school concepts. The hopes and dreams of many teachers, parents and community members are embodied in the school’s mission statement. Our mission is to provide each student with a safe, supportive and positive learning environment in which they can strive to achieve academic excellence and emerge as respectful and responsible members of the Bellingham community. Students in the Middle School enjoy a well-rounded curriculum that includes traditional courses as well as courses that allow them to explore personal interests and abilities. Special Needs students are fully integrated into regular education classrooms. Their academic endeavors are supported by a Special Needs teacher or Instructional Learning Assistant assigned to their classroom and by additional instructional time in the Resource Room under the direction of a Special Needs teacher.

Increasing student achievement continues to be the major focus of our school and of our committed faculty and staff. Teachers continue to meet in content area and grade-level meetings to discuss ways in which to increase student achievement. As a result of our annual

MCAS test result analysis, teachers are focusing on those areas and skills identified as needing improvement. A major focus has been in the area of Literacy. With financial support from a state literacy grant we have been able to purchase and administer standardized testing that focuses on diagnosing and assessing reading skills. These results are used to provide students with targeted instruction to improve reading skills. Much of our reading focus in grades seven and eight centers on developing reading skills in the content areas while the focus in grades five and six centers on fluency and comprehension. The addition of a Reading Specialist for grades 5 and 6 has allowed us to provide one-to-one support for students who struggle with reading as well as to bring additional reading enrichment to whole classrooms. Reading programs such as *Soar to Success*, *Read Naturally*, *Wilson Reading* and reading software such as *Soliloquy* assist in developing these skills. Our focus on literacy is additionally reinforced by our mandatory summer reading program and our content area book reports. Another major focus of instruction is the understanding and the application of mathematical skills. This focus has been enhanced with the addition of a math specialist in grades 7 and 8 who provides additional instruction in this area. With this additional staff member students in grade 7 receive an additional half-year of math instruction while students in grade 8 receive an additional quarter of math instruction each year. Technology has had a tremendous influence on our instructional practices and learning in the Middle School. Students in grades 7 and 8 take a half-year computer course while students at all grade levels have access to our computer labs and software to enhance their academic achievement. All students are provided with both home and school access to an Internet-based program called Study Island which provides MCAS support and remediation including practice and tutorials sessions. This year we have been afforded the opportunity to purchase four Smart Boards and several LCD projects. This technology brings new opportunities for teaching and learning into the classroom that have never been possible before. One of these opportunities is the ability to access over 1000 videos in all content areas that provide students with visual reinforcement of their learning. Recent professional development in technology applications has allowed teachers to refine their technology skills and to bring the excitement of technology to their classrooms.

In addressing the social and emotional needs of our students we continue to focus on reducing bullying in our school not only through anti-bullying activities but also by focusing students' attention on joining together to help others. Students, staff, parents and teachers have come together to contribute to a number of local initiatives throughout the year. In June the school came together to watch several teachers including the principal have their heads shaved. These teachers volunteered to have their heads shaved if student contributions to the PAN-MASS Challenge Fund in support of teacher Michael Flynn's participation in this annual cancer fundraising event reached our goal. The goal was not only reached but exceeded. In September each student created a pinwheel that contained an essay on peace. These pinwheels were placed on our front lawn in celebration of International Peace Day. These activities help to unite the wide range of grades we have in the building while focusing students on the needs of others. An important aspect of the success of our fifth graders here in the middle school is the attention given to their transition to our school. The transition activities begin in March of the year before when fourth graders are invited to a movie night and tour of the middle school. Also during March parents are invited to attend a parent orientation evening. Additional student activities include a visit to each fourth grade classroom by the principal and several fifth graders who answer questions that the fourth

graders have about coming to the middle school, individual welcoming letters written by the seventh graders to the incoming fifth graders and finally our Locker Day in August when new fifth graders get to find their homerooms and open their lockers for the first time. All of these activities provide comfort and a smooth transition to the entering fifth graders and their parents.

Many after school activities are available to our students. The Middle School Student Council and the Community Service Club involve students in all grades in volunteer projects in the community. The Community Service Club and the Student Council join together each year to assist the Ranieri family with their annual Wrentham Developmental Center Christmas party held here at the Middle School, to collect food for the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive, to collect toys for the annual Christmas Toy Drive as well as to maintain an ongoing food collection for the local food pantry. The Drama Club production of *Fiddler on the Roof* sold out on both evening's performances. Work has already begun on this year's production *Beauty and the Beast*. These productions showcase our very talented students in all grades. Our after school Intramural sports program has met with tremendous success. In this program students are able to join classmates in after school sports for which there are no competitive try-outs. Students of all athletic abilities are encouraged to play and to develop camaraderie and sportsmanship skills while just having fun. Augmenting this program is the regular after school sports program which allows students to participate on competitive sports teams that include field hockey, boys and girls soccer, boys and girls basketball, baseball, and softball.

Students in the seventh and eighth grade are able to participate in the John Hopkins Youth Talent Search. Students qualified for this program by ranking in the 97thile or above in standardized testing. Qualifying for this program allows students to take the SAT's in January 2007. Successful achievement in the SAT's will further qualify students for recognition by Johns Hopkins and entrance into college-sponsored enrichment courses. Grade 8 students interested in attending Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School in Upton can begin this process in November when representatives from the school meet with the students to discuss programs available at BVRVTHS. Students are also invited to tour the school in December and submit their applications. Last year sixteen grade 8 students were accepted at the school.

Grade 6 students continue the tradition begun in the elementary school of spending a week at an environmental camp. Again this year the entire sixth grade attended camp during the same week at Nature's Classroom in Charlton, Massachusetts. Grade 6 students also participate in the Police Department supported DARE program, a drug and alcohol prevention program. Each week for ten weeks two members of the Bellingham Police Department instruct sixth graders in good decision-making skills concerning the use of drugs and alcohol. The program culminates in a special DARE graduation ceremony. All middle school students are encouraged and invited to participate in the National Geographic Geography Bee. Middle school students participate in the after school competition for one of ten semi-final positions. The semi-finalists then compete for the right to enter the state competition representing our school and ultimately, could earn the right to compete at the national level. This past year one of our students qualified to compete at the state level. This is the second time in three years one of our students has earned this prestigious honor. An exciting culmination to our seventh grade Geography studies is our annual Cultural Fair which transforms many of our classrooms into foreign countries complete with cultural activities, food and costumes of each country.

The Middle School PTO continues to be a vital part of the parental involvement in our school. Funds have been raised through many successful fund-raisers including our annual magazine drive that will provide students with many enrichment activities. Some of these activities included programs brought to the school from the Discovery Museum, Night Skies, Earth Balloon and Hero Art. Funds have also assisted in paying for field trips. The PTO continues to fund the annual Grade 8 trip to the Challenger Program, a simulated space flight at the Christa McAuliffe Center at Framingham State College. Here students share in hands-on activities in preparation for "blast-off" into space and rendezvous with a comet. The PTO also sponsors Friday night dances for students in grades 7 and 8 as well as Family Fun Nights for students and their families in grades 5 and 6 and our annual school wide student variety show.

Under the guidance of our very talented and dedicated music teachers our music program continues to grow and shine. During the past year many concerts were performed by our grade-level bands and school choruses. The Grades 6, 7 and 8 bands also competes at the state music festival (MICCA) held annually here in Bellingham while our Grade 8 also competes annually at the Great Eastern Music Festival every June. Our Middle School Band now marches annually in the town's Memorial Day Parade. Every June the Eighth Grade Band travels to each elementary school and performs for the students. Due to the tremendous parental and community support we have outgrown the seating in our own auditorium and all of our performances take place in the high school auditorium. To support our growing music and arts program the Friends of the Arts was formed. In a short time this parent group has organized a very successful, sold-out Evening at the Pops Junior. This annual fundraising event provides funding to support enrichment activities in the arts for our students.

As mandated by the Education Reform Act of 1993 each school must have a School Council that meets regularly to develop and maintain a School Improvement Plan. This council is made up of parents, teachers, community members and the principal. The School Improvement Plan lists goals that will enhance not only the educational climate at the middle school but also the social, emotional, physical and behavioral needs of its students, faculty and staff.

To maintain communication with the community a middle school web site continues to be maintained by the principal. The community is encouraged to view this web site which relates current information on the programs at the middle school. The web site address is www.bellingham.k12.ma.us/ms/default.htm. Parent communication has been enhanced by the district purchase of an emergency parent notification system. This system allows us to provide parents with community outreach messages as well as emergency notifications.

As principal I would like to thank the community for its continued support of Bellingham Memorial Middle School. Not only have you provided a facility that will house those "students in the middle," but also you have provided these students with the opportunity to benefit from a program that is developmentally responsive to middle school students and prepares them for success at the high school level. As this is my final year as principal of the Middle School I wish to add a personal thank you for all the support I have enjoyed throughout my 39 years in Bellingham and especially the support and trust I have been given in developing and leading Bellingham's first middle school. I am very proud to have spent my entire career here in Bellingham.

BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL – Mr. Edward L. Fleury, Principal

Bellingham High School is now in its eighth year of existence in a new and modern facility. Our high school services grades nine through twelve with a student enrollment of 751 students. In partnership with families and the community, the administration and faculty recognize that learning is a life-long process requiring a variety of educational experiences, resources, and expectations. Being a mission driven school, our essential task is to provide all students with the opportunity to develop intellectually, socially, physically and emotionally. In this diverse and evolving global society, we advocate active and cooperative learning, respect for self and others, and the promotion of effective communication and analytical skills.

From September 28 through October 1 of 2008, our school was evaluated by a sixteen member Visiting Team representing the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. We are very pleased with the preliminary results of this evaluation and await its official publication in March of 2009. We are very appreciative of the high level of support our school and staff received from parents and community leaders during this extensive evaluation. It is clear to all of us here at Bellingham High school that we truly have the support of our community in providing and maintaining a state of the art facility and the faculty and support staff essential for it to be effective.

THE MISSION STATEMENT OF BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

In this diverse and evolving global society, the mission of Bellingham High School is to provide a supportive and challenging environment which fosters confident, successful and active life-long learners who contribute positively and responsibly to their community.

Expectations for Student Learning

Academic Expectations

Students will:

Learn to write, read and speak effectively; Demonstrate critical and creative thinking in problem solving; Organize and evaluate information to reach informed conclusions in collaboration with others; Utilize technology as a tool for learning

Social and Civic Expectations

Students will:

Display respect for teachers, staff, peers and themselves by obeying laws, rules and regulations; Develop a transition plan for post secondary life; Participate in activities that benefit self and community

GOALS FROM THE 2008-09 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

(Created by the School Council and approved by the Bellingham School Committee)

Goal #1 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School will complete the Self-Study process and be prepared for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) visitation from September 28 through October 1, 2008.

Goal #2 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall utilize staff to maintain reasonable class sizes and counselor caseloads while reviewing the viability and appropriateness of course offerings.

Goal #3 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall continue to provide a safe and supportive school environment for students and staff.

Goal #4 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall provide the necessary staff and curriculum to meet new MCAS performance State mandates for all of its students.

Goal #5 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall continue to address issues of wellness and diversity.

Goal #6 - The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall support and promote continued academic achievement and success in mandatory course work and ascertain that every student has a Massachusetts Competency Determination by graduation.

The Bellingham School District and Bellingham High School shall continue to enhance home-school-community connections for the benefit of educating the town's children, especially on the issues of wellness and the value of diversity.

OVERVIEW OF CURRICULA

Bellingham High School offers a comprehensive program of studies for 751 students in grades 9-12. Our curriculum provides quality college preparatory programs in English, Science, Social Studies, Mathematics and Foreign Language. Additionally, a broad range of courses in Music, Art, Technology, Business and Wellness extend and enrich our core academic offerings. Each course is assigned an academic level that indicates the degree of difficulty. Presently, there are eight Advanced Placement courses offered to students in English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Biology, Chemistry, Spanish, U.S. History, European History and Music Theory. Spanish, French and Algebra I may be taken in grade 8 to advance to the next level in grade 9. Other curriculum offerings include independent study classes, student internships, Senior Project, Virtual High School program offerings, high school enrichment classes at Dean College, and dual enrollment programs. Over seventy-five percent of the students participate in our co-curricular programs that include athletics, student council and class officers, art, music and related programs.

This fall we have placed a special focus on examining our assessment practices. An important step in this process is the continued alignment of our curricula to the State Frameworks and the development of performance benchmarks that will better enable us to connect what happens in the classroom to the school's overall mission. Beyond that, the English and Math departments have used professional development time to complete detailed analyses of the spring of 2008 MCAS results.

STAFFING

The BHS Staff consists of 54 teachers, one principal, one assistant principal, an athletic director, a guidance director, three full-time guidance counselors, a school adjustment counselor, a special education team coordinator, a part-time special education psychologist, a librarian, a school resource officer and a school-to-career specialist. A support staff of secretaries, aides, custodians, food service workers and computer personnel all contribute to the effective operation of the school.

The following individuals joined BHS's competent staff, filling the new positions, or vacant ones created by retirements or resignations:

Mrs. Brianne Henry – English
Mr. David McCarthy – Mathematics
Ms. Nancie Joyce – Science
Ms. Carol Julien – Science
Mrs. Joan Evans – Special Education
Mrs. Ann Fuhrman – Special Education
Mrs. Megan Ziny – Special Education
Mrs. Theresa Boyan – Main Office Clerk
Mr. Anthony Vizakis – Science/Technology

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The English department is chaired by Mr. John Cleary and includes seven teachers.

Highlights

- During the first week of school, students in all core English courses (9-12) received instructions on how to avoid plagiarism. In addition, mandatory requirements for research papers with MLA documentation style were implemented within full year courses.
- The Vocabulary from Classical Roots series continues to be utilized within freshmen, sophomore, and junior core English courses.
- Students in both English 9 and World Literature (grade 10) courses followed a prescribed timetable for additional open response practices, and had consistent individual classroom MCAS preparations. Commencing in December (2007), and administered through March, six different practice class sets of mandatory open response questions with applicable rubrics, derived from past MCAS yearly tests, were systematically employed.
- World Literature (grade 10) English teachers conducted a simulated MCAS test just prior to actual MCAS testing in order to alleviate student anxiety concerning the test and test taking procedures.
- After writing children's short stories, some English 12 classes, on an organized field trip, shared their original creations with kindergarten through fourth grade students at South Elementary School.
- So that students' progress may be collectively monitored, on-going assessments regarding "Seniors In Danger," are periodically reported to the Guidance Department and the Principal. As an additional avenue for extra help, the English Department, in conjunction with the national Honor society advisor, arranged after school tutoring by NHS members. Furthermore, to improve communication and to focus on academic

deficiencies of every senior who was in danger of not graduating, grade 12 English teachers sent letters home to parents that outline problematic areas and highlight measures for improvement.

- In September and October, students in English 9 and World Literature (grade 10) had lessons, practices, tips, and strategies on taking verbal sections of the PSATs.
- For the third consecutive year, in partnership with the Guidance Department, seniors used the BHS English Department's résumé template and "Guidelines for the High School Résumé" to write résumés to accompany the college application process.
- The Department Chairman attended an Educational Proficiency Plan (EPP) Training Session on August 25, 2008.
- Retired and aspiring English Department Chairmen interviewed applicants for an English teaching position from a pool of approximately sixty applicants.
- In August, various English Department members attended the Superintendent's Welcoming Brunch.
- Based on three test groups, consideration for English AP courses taken by juniors/seniors was determined by new criteria that are more stringent. Multiple data, in addition to mandatory positive teacher recommendations (via confidential reports), all past and present core English courses (minimum A- average); MCAS ELA scores (minimum 250), PSAT scores (minimum 50 critical reading and minimum 50 writing skills), and a timed AP essay sample were evaluated. At the end of the first marking quarter, an average less than B- will necessitate move-ment to a lower level course.
- In August, the English Department Chairman assisted in the 9th grade Open House/Orientation.
- In September, English Department members interviewed with members of the NEASC Visiting Committee.
- In the Spring 2008 MCAS Testing, all 10th grade students (Class of 2010) met or surpassed the MCAS ELA passing requirement of 220. Those students who scored between 220 and 238 (36 students) but did not meet the new 240 standard set by the Massachusetts Department of Education have Educational Proficiency Plans (EPP) in place and are fulfilling requirements leading to a Bellingham High School diploma in 2010.
- The English Department unanimously agreed to continue to mandate the taking of the AP test by all students who enroll in English AP courses.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Math department is chaired by Mrs. Vicki Sanocki and includes six teachers.

Highlights

- 82% of our students scored Advances or Proficient on the 2008 Math MCAS exam. All teachers who had sophomore classes participated in an 8-day MCAS Prep program that ended with a practice test. The teacher followed a specific curriculum to help prepare students for the MCAS, 5% failed MCAS (well below the state average of 9%). These results reflect the highest tier of yearly progress according to state reports.
- All sophomores and juniors took the PSAT test, as they did last year. Last years scores were at or near the national average.

- The math lab is used by all classes. Each math class is scheduled once every other cycle, once every 14 class days. Programs have material appropriate for each level of math and for MCAS practice and remediation.
- As Department Head, I participated in the Superintendent's Brunch (a chance to meet and get to know the new superintendent), the 9th grade orientation, and an EPP workshop. These events took place during the summer and as school was starting in the fall.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Science and Technology Department is chaired by Mrs. JoAnn Masterson and includes ten teachers. BHS welcomed two new faculty members to the Science and Technology Department for the 2008-2009 school year. We welcome:

- Ms Nancie Joyce-Physical Science
- Ms Carol Julien-Biology

Highlights

- Dr. John Branca attended a two day College Board Workshop for New AP Chemistry Teachers in October, 2008.
- Mrs. Sue Seery attended a one day workshop; "Teaching Strategies in Chemistry"; October 2008.
- Forest Henderson and Monica Coler continue to be our biotechnology trained faculty for our MassBioTeach grant.
- Cynthia Neuzil attended HiFi: The Massachusetts Financial Literacy Initiative Program Sponsored by the Massachusetts Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation Curriculum. She also attended a Seminar in Integrating Music and Art during the summer of 2008.
- Ms Nancy Joyce attended a "Classroom Management Seminar for High School Students" sponsored by Teachers 21 and MSSAA.
- Mrs. JoAnn Masterson attended the seminar "Legal Aspects of Teacher Evaluation" sponsored by the MSSAA in January 2008.
- Dr. Tim Smith attended a workshop; "Differentiated Instruction" in December 2008.
- Mrs. Heather Molloy attended a six week series of workshops in Computer Aided Drawing(CAD) at Tri County RVTHS in the Fall, 2008.
- Curriculum in the following disciplines were revised in the summer of 2007 and are currently being utilized:
 - * Physical Science
 - * Biology
 - * Chemistry (completed June 2008)
 - * Physics
 - * Accounting
- Curriculum Guides are currently being used to continue to meet MA Science Frameworks.
- Curriculum is under development for Computer Technology 1 and 2, which replace our Smart Lab curriculum.
88% of the class of 2011 passed the Technology and Engineering MCAS in June 2008.

- This figure indicates that 22 out of 181 Bellingham High School students will need to take another MCAS Science Exam(Biology) as sophomores in order to graduate in 2011
- Currently, there are 8 juniors who still need to pass a Science MCAS exam. Plans to assist these students include individualized tutoring in Biology for a March 2009 retake.
- Student Career Opportunity Outreach Program (S.C.O.O.P.)- *Interested Anatomy and Physiology students attended the Student Career Opportunity Outreach Program (S.C.O.O.P.) in May, 2008. Students also had the opportunity to participate in this program in December, 2008. Students visit Boston Children's Hospital and participate in a day long shadowing program in efforts to communicate, educate, and inspire students to consider nursing as a career. Approximately 20 students attended on each outing.*
- Deep Sea Fishing- Plymouth, MA- *Marine Science students had the opportunity to attend this fieldtrip in the spring of 2008. Students in the fall of 2008 also attended this fieldtrip. Approximately thirty students participated on each day.*
- Technology Lab Symposium, UMASS Lowell- *AP Biology, AP Chemistry and Honors Physics students attending a technology symposium at the University of Lowell in March 2008, accompanied by Mr. Henderson, Dr. Branca, and Dr. Smith.*
- The Massachusetts Biotechnology Education Foundation has awarded Bellingham High School's Science and Technology Department a fourteen thousand dollar grant with sustainable monies for seven years to promote the discipline of Biotechnology. The MassBioTeach Grant will work in conjunction with an additional \$7,000 grant that has been awarded to the BHS Guidance Department in Biotechnology Career Exploration.
- This grant has allowed the Science and Technology Department to purchase expensive equipment that will enable students to engage in biotechnology activities in coming years without the help of outside labs but with the benefit of in house equipment, supplies, and training.
- A biotechnology lab was set up in May of 2008 in our science labs to provide our LSCD cohort with the opportunity to obtain additional hands on lab practice in the field of biotechnology(DNA Fingerprinting).
- Flinn Chemventory- Electronic Chemical Inventory Program
- Flinn Chemical Storage Organization Plan
- Chemical Disposal Plan
- Lab rooms fitted with proper extinguishers, fire blankets, functioning fume hoods, eyewashes, and deluge showers.
- Science Classroom Safety Checklists: goggles and aprons
- Lab Notification Forms
- Lab Incident Forms
- Right To Know Centers- Material Safety Data Sheet(MSDS) Binders compiled and located in Sci/Tech Office, Principal's Office, BFD, Nurse's Office and Chemistry Rooms.

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Social Studies department is chaired by Mr. Stephen McDonough and includes six teachers.

Highlights

- The department continues to enhance classroom offerings with the addition of A.P. World History.
- Department members have attended specialized programs to upgrade their professional development in the area of Advanced Placement instruction.
- In the past year the department has discussed the Mass. Curriculum frameworks and their application to BHS curriculum.
- In the past year, the department has held student government day elections and have sent two representatives to the Mass. State House to participate in the state wide program.
- In the past year students of the social studies department have participated in the National Guard Bellingham Buddies Program.
- The department continues to enhance classroom offerings with extra curricular experiences such as the award winning Mock Trial Team.
- In the past year BHS and BMMS social studies staff members have continued discussions of new pathways to facilitate proficient MCAS scores when the exam is finalized.
- In the past year, the department has developed departmental exams for all core courses.
- The department has adopted a universal, state wide rubric for assessing student performance.
- In the past year, the department has written curriculum for all social studies core courses.

WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The World Language department is chaired by Mrs. Josette Kaplan and includes four teachers, Ms. Rachel Di Nobile, Mrs. Grace McDonald, Mr. David Holmes, and Ms. Christine Sivyllis.

Highlights

- In March, students in Mrs. Kaplan's Latin class participated in the National Latin Exam. The results were outstanding, as most of the students received either a gold or a silver medal and earned a certificate of distinction.
- This summer, Mrs. McDonald attended her third AP Workshop for AP Spanish Language at Fitchburg State College to further her skills in teaching at the AP level and to enhance her own proficiency in the language. This workshop was conducted completely in Spanish and provided many valuable ideas for material and techniques in her class.
- In September, Ms. Sivyllis submitted a revised curriculum for Spanish I, French I and II to the Curriculum Office. Each curriculum was aligned with the Standards for Foreign Language Learning (Communication, Culture, Connections, Comparisons, and Communities), and referenced the current classroom texts, resources, and assessments.
- Due to budget cuts and limited personnel, the World Language Department was unable to offer German this year. It is doubtful that the program will be reinstated.
- Similarly, the Latin Program was temporarily suspended this year. Latin, which has been taught successfully at BHS for many years, is an intensely valuable course that prepares students for the SATs and exposes them to a rich classical cultural legacy.

- Mrs. Josette Kaplan and Mrs. Grace McDonald of the World Language Department will be taking students to Italy and Costa Rica respectively during April vacation, 2009. While Mrs. Kaplan will be exposing students to the richness of classical culture, including visits to Rome, Sorrento, Capri, Palermo, Pompeii and Europe's highest (and active!) volcano, Mount Etna, Mrs. McDonald will be showing hers the diversity of Flora and Fauna in Bio Park and thrilling them to a swim in the hot springs and mineral waters of the Arenal region. The purpose of these trips is to encourage and support student international travel as well to provide authentic surroundings in which students may utilize the skills they have acquired.
- In December, Ms. Di Nobile's Spanish II Standard and Honor classes were asked to create a Spanish TV commercial, advertising a beauty product mentioned in their text. In addition to the assigned two minute TV commercial, the students had to create a poster advertisement, and the Honor students were directed to include a one minute oral presentation with their project. These requirements integrated the arts and technology into this assignment.
- This semester, Mrs. Kaplan's French III classes worked on a comprehensive research project on the Impressionists and Post-Impressionists whose components included writing an extensive report on one specific artist as well as duplicating the spirit of the painter through their own painted interpretation of one of the works. Matisse's *Creole Dancer* and Van Gogh's *Sunflowers* were some of the masterpieces created.
- Ms. Sivyllis will attend a seminar in January sponsored by the Bureau of Education and Research, entitled, *Strengthening Spanish Language Instruction*.
- Mrs. McDonald continues to use a successful learning technique in her Spanish classes, entitled *charlas*, where two students sit in front of the classroom and talk on a previously-assigned topic for 2 minutes each. Then, four students each ask one question to each of them which they must answer spontaneously. This activity promotes fluency and improved pronunciation and provides opportunities for learning relevant vocabulary.
- Members of the Department are thrilled with their newly-acquired LCD classroom projectors that allow the teacher's computer screen to be viewed on a large screen. One activity used by Ms. Sivyllis is to access and project foreign news, weather, sports, people, etc. (Yahoo in French, in Spanish), for further language practice, current events, cultural immersion, and student enjoyment. Students were able to view the November American election results and commentaries broadcast in France, Spain, and Mexico.

WELLNESS / FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT HEALTH

The **Wellness/Health** Department continues to develop new curriculum and activities for Bellingham students, by directing its focus on preventative programs, which address quality of life concerns and issues. The physical education component continued development of the lifelong wellness and fitness curriculum and basic fundamental skill development, at the ninth and tenth grade level Concentration on lifetime activities for juniors and seniors align the curriculum. Students obtain extensive individualized training on fitness equipment and the opportunity to develop personal fitness and nutrition plans that they will utilize throughout their adult lives.

Within the health component, addressing the various domains of mental, emotional, social, spiritual and intellectual health are the areas of focus for the ninth and tenth grade.

Eleventh grade students are introduced to The American Red Cross Course, Community Health and Safety and its wide range of opportunities for hands-on learning, leadership skills and life saving techniques. Seniors participate in the Alcohol 101 program, which takes a realistic approach to educate students regarding the use and abuse of alcohol. The program's ultimate goal is to educate students to make responsible decisions and positive choices that will have an affect on their over-all lives.

Staffing

The Wellness/Fine Arts department is chaired by Ms. Sandra Xenos and includes five teachers.

Highlights

- Alcohol 101 for seniors continued its initiative that develops programs, strategies and tactics to combat drunk driving and underage drinking
- BHS Habitat for Humanity Club, a social action group organized by Carlos Costa participated in development projects
- A project was initiated to develop a Fitness Trail, on the school property surrounding BHS and is on-going
- The production of a floor mosaic, located at the main entrance of the school and motivational posters were completed
- Vertical Articulation took place at the Middle School, to promote the coordination of curriculum development K-12.
- The Wellness/Fine Arts Department Chair attended the state conference sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
- Eleventh grade students scheduled in the Health Component of Wellness were introduced to the Standard first Aid, C.P.R., AED/Adult, Child and Infant Course
- Many of these students will receive certification upon completion of the course
- The use of technology continues to support the Alcohol 101 Plus Curricula, through the installation of the program software within the computer lab.
- Additional technology to assist in the development of Life Skills were purchased.

ART

Staffing

Mrs. Finlay teaches all related art courses.

Highlights

- Public display of an interdisciplinary Art/World History painted mural depicting Pablo Picasso's anti-war painting, *Guernica*. Students were given a small section from a printed image of Picasso's famous painting to reproduce in the style of another artist and to submit an essay discussing the incident that influenced Picasso's masterpiece and the style, biography of Picasso and their chosen artist.
- Art/Marine Biology painted mural of life from the coastal waters off New England located next to the Marine Science lab.
- Art/Environmental Science has relief ceramic tiled mural to be displayed in the main hallway.
- Continued display of student art work throughout the building

Ms Finlay and Ms Forte co-taught a graduate course, "*Incorporating Art and Music in the Curriculum*," through Framingham State College, which was offered for any teacher from any content area and level.

Art I was reduced from a full year course to a half year.

AP Studio Art in Drawing was offered this year

MUSIC

Staffing

Mrs. Forte teaches music and band. Mrs. Spencer teaches chorus.

Highlights

- **Chamber Music** This fall, students in the Concert Band are engaged in a chamber music unit for the first time. All members of the band are grouped into small ensembles of 4 – 6 members. Each group has one weekly rehearsal and works on brass quintet, woodwind quintet or saxophone quintet literature (percussionists will complete this unit in the second quarter). This chamber music unit provides a unique experience for students to play independent parts - each person is a soloist. Students completed a pre-survey asking their opinions and comfort level in relation to chamber music. Students will perform as chamber ensembles in November in a concert in-class for the entire band. Students will also complete a post-survey to gauge how this experience may have improved their music education at BHS.
- **UMASS Band Day:** Saturday, October 25: Students from around New England rehearsed and performed together for the half-time at the UMASS v. Bryant game. George Parks, UMASS Band Director, said close to 4,000 band students performed at UMASS that day!
- **Clarinet Day:** Bellingham's clarinet players were invited to participate in Rhode Island College's Clarinet Day on Friday, October 10th in Providence, RI. Three of our players were able to participate in this special event: Samantha Trottier, Alyssa Legare and Jenna Guiliani. These students attended an afternoon masterclass, clinic and rehearsal with other high school student and RIC clarinet students. All students performed on the RIC Wind Ensemble Concert that evening as part of a Clarinet Choir under the direction of Ian Greitzer, clarinet professor and Dr. Robert Franzblau, wind ensemble conductor. This was a wonderful event and students remarked that the evening concert was amazing – which featured Mr. Greitzer on clarinet with electric amplification.
- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR MUSIC STAFF:** All Bellingham Music Staff recently participated in a full-day clinic for SmartMusic software here at BHS on November 4th. Smart Music is a new software program that allows students to practice, record and submit performances directly to teachers. The program also acts as a virtual accompanist. Learn more about Smart Music at www.smartmusic.com
- **NEW PROGRAM! Visiting Artist Program:** Selected high school musicians will prepare and perform solo pieces of literature for elementary school students as part of a visiting artist program. This enrichment program will provide an additional performance opportunity for the high school student, contain community service hours, and demonstrate real-life applications of the state music standards and BHS Mission Statement and Expectations for Student Learning. For elementary school

students, this program would bring advanced musicians to their school as role models and make connections to the fine arts curriculum. Our first visiting artist concert was held on Friday, December 12th at Macy Elementary School, Samantha Trotter was the performer on clarinet. Students listened intently during their lunch hour and the performance was a great success! Future performances are being arranged for January and February 2009.

- **NEW MUSIC WEBSITE!** Marie Forte designed a new music website at www.BellinghamMusic.org. This website serves as a great resource for students and their families.
- **COMMISSION PROJECT UPDATE:** Dan Lutz, Professor of Music from UMASS Lowell, has been commissioned by the BHS Band to write a new piece of literature for our school. This piece will be premiered at the March 5, 2009 concert.
- **ADOPT-A-FAMILY:** BHS Music students recently adopted 2 children through the Woonsocket Adopt-a-Family program for the Christmas holiday.
- **BATTLE OF THE BANDS:** BHS Music recently held a successful fundraiser – Battle of the Rock Bands – here at BHS on Friday, November 21st. There were 7 local bands from Franklin High School, Tri-County as well as Bellingham High. Prizes were awarded to the top three bands of the evening.
- **Student Teacher:** This fall, Mrs. Forte hosted a student teacher from Rhode Island College. Ms. Jenn Murphy worked as a staff member this fall and conducted the Concert Band on the Winter Concert in addition to teaching music elective classes.
- **Winter Concert 2008** was held on Thursday, December 4, 2008 here at BHS. Performing groups included the Concert Band, Chorus, and Female Vocal Ensemble. Special thanks to Debra Hedges, accompanist.
- **Special Repeat Winter Concert** for our senior citizens: Thursday, December 18th at 11:00 a.m. at BHS.
- **Massachusetts Music Educators Association Central District Annual Music Festival Concert** at *Mechanics Hall, Worcester, MA*
- ****Two BHS Chorus students participated:** Jessica Dagg, 12th grade & Courtney Wagner, 10th grade
- BHS Annual. Spring Concert
- MMEA All-State Festival—Courtney Wagner, grade 10, represented the BHS Chorus.
- MICCA Solo & Ensemble Festival at Concord-Carlisle High School
- ***3 BHS students participated in the Vocal Soloist category:** Courtney Wagner, grade 10—Gold Medal winner Jessica Dagg, grade 12—Silver Medal winner Natasha Corkren, grade 12—Silver Medal winner
- Pops Night Concert—Female Vocal Ensemble, Chorus, & Color Guard
- MMEA Central District Annual Music Festival Auditions at Grafton HS Members of the Chorus sang for the town Tree Lighting on the Bellingham Common.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Librarian is Mrs. Margaret Phoenix.

Highlights

- Held BHS library orientation for every freshman English class.
- Collaborated with the teen librarian, Leslieanne LaVallee from Bellingham Public Library on presentation for the freshmen
- Celebrated Banned Books Week
- BHS Library web page on teacherweb.com
- Improved academic tone for library studies during the school day
- Coordinated with Mrs. Nadeau's students to shelve fiction books for some practical, real world experience
- Hosts DDR Club Wednesday afternoons

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Guidance staff includes a Guidance Department Director Peter Marano, three full-time counselors, one adjustment counselor, a part-time career specialist, one intern, and a secretary.

Highlights

- On June 5, 2008, the senior class participated in an evening presentation of awards and scholarships. Many scholarships were granted by colleges and universities. In addition to the school-based scholarships, there were 81 local monetary awards presented to the graduates of the class of 2008. These scholarships were sponsored by local businesses, civic groups and organizations or by individual families/friends in memory of a loved one. The total amount of local scholarship awards was \$70,500.00. Awards were presented in many categories. Awards include medals, pins, trophies, books, plaques and certificates of merit.
- Over 50 colleges, universities, technical schools, and armed service representatives visit our school annually. This year, we invited all of the New England institutes of higher education to our fifth college fair at the high school. It was held in the high school library and main hallway on October 18, 2008, from 8:30 -10:30 AM. All seniors and those juniors who were in a study period during that time had the opportunity to meet with college representatives to pick up applications and view books and schedule interviews. Literature was available and admissions personnel answered questions for students, counselors and teachers. This successful event will be held again next year because it is less disruptive and more productive than having individual college representatives schedule visits throughout the fall.
- On December 9, 2008 at 7:00 pm a "Financial Aid Information Night" will be held for students and their parents. Anya Morozkina a presenter from MEFA, will be the guest speaker. Ms. Morozkina will discuss the FAFSA, types of financial aid and how to work through the process. The Guidance Director and staff members will provide pamphlets and resources on financial assistance.

- On October 15, 2008, Bellingham High School Guidance Department administered the PSAT to all 10th and 11th grade students. The purpose is two fold:
 - Provide students 2 years worth of practice and exam analysis before they take the SAT in the spring of junior year. All students take the exam receive a detailed score report. The score report enhances the student's ability to review each test question, their answer and the correct answer with explanations.
 - The College Board provides an in depth item analysis (SOAS – summary of answers and skills). The SOAS indicates strengths and weaknesses in the curriculum, compare how students performed against National and State groups, identify skill areas in need of attention and is tied to the Mass Curriculum Frameworks.
- Bellingham continues to be a very active participant in School-to-Career programs. We encourage and support career development in our students and believe that every student needs to have a plan beyond high school. We strongly believe in the importance of helping students make connections between what they are learning in school and opportunities in the workplace.
- In 2008, we sent students on the following career development field trips:
 - New England Institute of Technology
 - Construction Careers Day
 - Credit for life
 - Universal Technical Institute
 - Career Expo
 - Scoop @ Boston Children's Hospital
 - Our job shadow program continues to grow every year. In 2008, we sent 287 students in grades 9-11 on a job shadow day.
- Our Career Specialist works closely with students to provide work-based learning opportunities. Internship placements have continued to grow each year. During the 2007-2008, school year we placed 46 juniors and seniors at job placement sites in Bellingham as part of our Internship Course.
- For eight years, Bellingham High School has been the recipient of a grant from the Metro-West Regional Employment Board to fund a Career Specialist position. The Career Specialist's responsibilities are to counsel and place students in paid and unpaid internships and to work with the School-to Career Coordinator on facilitating job shadow opportunities, field trips and career speakers. Mrs. Joan Meilan has been appointed the Career Specialist as of May, 2006.
- The Guidance Department continues to provide updated information on the high school website (Bellingham.k12.ma.us). The website provides students and parents access to valuable information for both their secondary and post-secondary school years. It is updated with important information and opportunities on a regular basis.
- Recently the Guidance Department purchased Naviance. Naviance is a web-based tool that helps students in future planning. Naviance has many different components: college searches, journals, scholarships, email, and a personality inventory called "Do What You Are". Currently all juniors and seniors are registered. They are encouraged to use Naviance in their college process. In addition, we will be meeting with juniors in groups to access "Do What You Are". This online inventory matches personality and interests to possible careers. In the near future, all high school students will be guided through Naviance.

- Guidance provides brochures and articles on various topics and issues that affect today's youth. The BHS guidance brochure gives an overview of guidance services and resources that are available to students and families. A monthly newsletter for seniors contains helpful college and career information and important dates and deadlines. It is distributed to every senior and extra copies are available for parents in the Guidance office. A copy is also displayed on the website. We have created a "welcome packet" which will be updated yearly. It is available to new students and parents to explain the registration process and introduce them to the policies and procedures at Bellingham High School. The school profile is updated annually.
- Bellingham High School was awarded a Life Science Career Development Initiative (LSCDI) grant from the Massachusetts Biotechnology Educational Foundation in the amount of \$7,000 for the 2007-2008 academic year. This year, BHS received an additional \$6,000 to continue life science career exploration with the initial 40 LSCD students (who are now juniors) and to develop a second cohort group of 25-50 sophomores to learn more about biotechnology and the life sciences.
- The mission of the Life Science Career Development Initiative (LSCDI) is to encourage students in the cohort groups to learn more about biotechnology and life science and to provide them with self-assessment and career exploration activities designed to increase their awareness, interest, and desire to pursue a career in the life sciences. Students in the cohort groups are encouraged to take more science classes during high school and enroll in more challenging courses. Biotechnology companies from the Massachusetts Biotechnology Education Foundation will host on-site visits to their facilities and offer guest speakers to educate and encourage students to explore life science careers. Some of the activities in 2007-08 included career inventories, a Museum of Science CSI field trip, a power lunch with speakers from biotechnology companies, and a field trip to EMD Serono, a leading Massachusetts biotechnology company. Additional activities planned for 2008-09 include a workplace job shadow, a college hop, biotechnology guest speakers, and additional career exploration.
- Through the generosity of MassBioEd and these exciting grants, students have an opportunity to participate in an exciting laboratory curriculum and see the relevance of science education. Utilizing the Massachusetts Comprehensive School Counseling Model, counselors work with the science teachers to integrate career development activities into the applied science curriculum.
- The Guidance Department has continued to work on its developmental program. During the month of December, tenth grade students are visited by counselors in their English class. Counselors discuss the results of the standardized tests and PSATs. Counselors also talk about career planning and exploration, college process, scheduling, credits, graduation requirements, and academic issues. In addition, counselors discuss study skills, time management strategies, the importance of homework and the role of Guidance.
- In September 2008, Bellingham High School became members of the Massachusetts State Scholar Initiative. The Massachusetts State Scholar Initiative is a business/education partnership working to increase the number of students who take rigorous curriculum in high school. It is designed to strengthen their chances for success in college and the work place.

- The Guidance Department is also committed to sponsoring and organizing programs, which focus on information, intervention, and prevention.
 - Metro West Grant
 - Internet Safety
 - Social Host Liability
 - Health Relationships
- On January 3, 2008, our annual Alumni Day was held. Graduates from the class of 2007 spent the day visiting classes and teachers to share their college, job, and military experiences.
- On October 7, 2008, the Guidance department invited seniors and their parents to attend an informational meeting in the Bellingham High School Lecture Hall. Guidance Counselors reviewed the college application process, college requirements and answered questions. Approximately ninety parents attended the presentation.
- On March 17, 2008, juniors and their parents were invited to attend an informational meeting in the Bellingham High School Lecture Hall. The Guidance Department discussed and answered questions regarding the college admission process.
- Eighty-two local scholarship sponsors were available to the graduates of the Class of 2008. These scholarships, sponsored by local businesses, civic groups and organizations, offered more than \$65,950.00 in scholarship awards. Scholarship recipients are recognized during the awards night, many of which are announced for the first time on this occasion. Most local scholarship applications are distributed and collected directly through the Guidance office. Many community, regional, and national scholarships are also available in the Guidance office. They are advertised in Naviance, senior newsletters, on Guidance bulletin boards and in local newspapers. Students in the Class of 2007 were awarded numerous scholarships and are taking advantage of this financial assistance to further their education.
- In addition to scholarships available to all graduates, the Guidance department coordinated the following special scholarship/award programs:
 - Norfolk County Teacher's Association Scholarship Award
 - AP Scholar Award
 - Voice of Democracy Contest (open to grades 9-12)
 - Honor Scholars Night (grade 12)
 - DAR Citizenship Award Scholarship Program (grade 12)
 - Presidential Academic Fitness Award Program (grade 12)
 - AFL/CIO Scholarship Competition (grade 12)
 - Lion's Club Oratorical Contest (grade 11 and 12)
 - Principal's Leadership Award (grade 12)
 - Toyota Scholar's Award (grade 12)
 - Commonwealth Award for Exemplary Community Service (grade 12)
 - Coca-Cola Scholarship (grade 12)
- Awarded John and Abigail Adams Scholarship to forty-six (46) students in the Class of 2009 and forty-four (44) students in the Class of 2008 for their performance on the MCAS exams. Each is eligible to receive free tuition for four years at any college or university in the UMass system.

- Engaging in efforts to address issues documented in state-sponsored Youth Risk Behavior Survey by utilizing school resources and BRIDGES grant for counseling resources; conducting depression screenings and school-wide assemblies on dating violence and alcohol & drug abuse.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Athletic Director is Mr. Leo Dalpe.

Highlights

- Over 60% of the student body participated
- The winter Captain's Club attended the MIAA Leadership Training Conference in January along with our trainer, Kristen Sasonoff
- Laura Houde and Shawn Lamothe were recipients of the 2007-2008 BHS Scholastic Athletic Award
- Jesse Guillet received the Daniel F. Gibbons Memorial Award for track
- Rachel Carnaroli and Meghan Driscoll represented BHS at the National Girls and Women in Sports Day at Faneuil Hall in February.
- There were no TVL championships for Bellingham in 2008. However, the following teams qualified for state tournament play in 2008: Field Hockey, Boys Basketball, Baseball and Softball.
- Keaton Troy, Kamili Webson and Dan Desper qualified for the state's in wrestling competition
- In March, the Winter Cheerleading squad placed 4th at the TVL competition and qualified for the MSSAA South Regional competition at Taunton High School
- Kristen Sasonoff, the athletic trainer, and Haley Troy, Kyle Boucher, Patrick Slaney and Erica Iosue attended the 15th Annual MIAA/MSSADA Sportsmanship Summit at Gillette Stadium in November.
- Also in November, Stacy Belcher, Jen Healy and Melissa Laquerre attended the MIAA "Leadership for Ladies: Captains and Coaches Workshop" along with girls soccer coach Mike Suffoletto
- Vinny Costanzo and Rachel Carnaroli represented BHS as Student Ambassadors to the MIAA
- Athletic offerings included 22 Varsity teams: Boys & Girls Cross Country, Fall & Winter Cheerleading, Field Hockey, Football, Golf, Boys & Girls Soccer, Volleyball, Boys & Girls Basketball, Ice Hockey, Boys & Girls Winter Track, Wrestling, Baseball, Boys & Girls Lacrosse, Softball, and Boys & Girls Spring Track
- There is a chemical health presentation for parents and students each school year in the auditorium

HONOR SOCIETY

Staffing

The National Honor Society Advisor is Mrs. Josette Kaplan.

Highlights

- In February, the National Honor Society sponsored a calendar raffle to raise money for scholarships for three graduating seniors. In March, it held its eighth annual Fashion Show for various local charities, and, in early May, members participated in the Walk for Hunger

in Boston and contributed thousands of dollars to that worthy cause. During the summer months, the students also were involved in numerous community efforts, ranging from shopping for the elderly to working with young kids. Prior to graduation, the NHS members were able to enjoy the fruits of their hard work by visiting New York for the day and visiting Symphony Hall, the Wax Museum, Times Square, and Little Italy.

- The National Honor Society of Bellingham High School held its Annual Induction Ceremony on Thursday, October 23, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. Three new seniors and 41 juniors were inducted, joining the ranks of the existing 34 members. This year's guest speaker was Ms. Kristen Vella, graduate of the class of 1995, and, presently, Postdoctoral Fellow at Harvard Medical School. Also speaking was Mr. David Fischer, Superintendent of Bellingham Public Schools, Mr. Edward Fleury, BHS Principal, Mrs. Josette Kaplan, Advisor to the NHS, and the six officers of the NHS. The candle-lighting event was complemented by a festive catered dinner in the cafeteria immediately following the ceremony.
- Since the Induction, members of the NHS have been intensely involved in a variety of activities ranging from participating in a Blood Drive at the High School sponsored by the American Red Cross, working at the Family Fun Night at South Elementary School, helping out at the Halloween Bop at Macy, to raking leaves and shoveling snow for the elderly, tutoring, and a raft of other after school and evening community service projects, especially at the Bellingham Public Library.
- Besides upholding scholarship, leadership, and character, the National Honor Society is dedicated to the principle of community service.

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Staffing

The Special Education Coordinator is Mrs. Donna Fuller. There are also five special education teachers, four Instructional Learning Assistants and a one on one Instructional Learning Assistant.

Highlights

- The first step in referring a student for special education is to fill out a form that then is reviewed by the Teacher Assistance Team (T.A.T.). This team is made up of two regular educators, the school psychologist, and one special education teacher. The team reviews student records, interims, report cards, discipline, attendance, and teacher reports. The team then decides if accommodations would help the student, or if he/she should be tested.
- The special education coordinator held forty-nine annual review meetings for Individual Educational Plans. In addition, twenty-three students were given a three-year re-evaluation. This consisted of administering the Woodcock test, the WISC test, and in some cases other tests to determine a math or reading disability. The team also used review of records, interims, report cards, observations, and teacher reports for the three-year re-evaluations.
- In addition, ninety-four other meetings were held for progress review, for initial Individual Educational Plans, and for transition. The coordinator also attended twenty transitional meetings at the middle school. These meetings were held to review course selections for the incoming freshmen and to answer any questions a parent might have about the special education program at the high school.

- The coordinator also meets with all the coordinators system wide at least once a month to review new regulations and policies regarding the Individual Educational Plans and to discuss smooth transitions from one building to the next.

CO-CURRICULAR OFFERINGS

CLASS & CLUBS

Chess Club; Class Government; Drama; "Dance, Dance Revolution" Club, Math Club; Mock Trial; Music performances (Band & Choral); National Honor Society; Newspaper; Peer Mediators; SADD; Science Club; Student Advisory; Student Council; Yearbook; Chemistry Club; Cultural Arts Club.

- The Student Council Advisors are Mrs. Heinricher and Mrs. Pearcey. The Student Council provides a service to the school and the community through participation and promotion of the following:
 - Grade eight high school tour – orientation and tour for all entering ninth graders held in June
 - Recycling – recycle bins are located in all rooms and offices in the high school and are regularly maintained by Student Council members
 - Spirit Week – many activities and competitions between classes are coordinated and monitored by the Student Council on an annual basis to raise money for scholarships
 - Skull Pop Sales – an annual fundraiser to raise money for scholarships and to support food and toy drives
 - Thanksgiving Food Drive – food items were donated to needy families in the community
 - Christmas Toy Drive – toys collected are donated to the Food Pantry for distribution at Christmas
- Mrs. Sjogren is the newspaper Advisor. The Eye of the Hawk is Bellingham High School's student newspaper. In addition to editing and formatting the final publication, the editor is responsible for organizing and motivating the staff, which consists of approximately 15 students. Monthly staff meetings are held to assign article topics, discuss any issues, and set due dates. There is also a monthly meeting with the editor to revise, format, and discuss the upcoming publication. The newspaper continuously welcomes new members.
- Mr. Branca is the Chemistry Club Advisor. The Chemistry Club meets weekly and has a current membership of 19 students. Activities include fun, safe and educational extracurricular laboratory activities as well as field trips. In 2007, Chemistry Club members attended the Museum of Science in Boston to participate in a laboratory activity entitled "DNZ Transformation". Students have performed such lab activities as activity series of metals, identifying reactions, hydrogen-oxygen-powered micro rockets, "dancing gummi bears", and many others during the spring and fall of 2007.
- The Bellingham High School SADD chapter grew significantly this year now having approximately 40 to 50 students involved. The chapter had a very successful year winning the SADD National Activity of the year and the State Lifesaver Award for the seatbelt program they created. Massachusetts SADD Chapter awarded the Bellingham High School chapter an all expenses paid trip for an advisor and four students to the National Convention in Arizona to accept the award of \$500.00. Melissa Newman along with junior,

Melissa Bradley and sophomores, Alexis Henderson, Devin Woodman and Jennifer Healy not only attended the convention but were asked to hold a workshop on their seatbelt project. Governor Patrick sent a letter out this past summer to all Massachusetts high school principals encouraging them to follow the same policy in their schools. The seatbelt policy is still in place and again this year prizes are given for those who are in compliance and there are consequences for those who are not.

The Allstate Insurance Foundation awarded the SADD group with a check for \$1000.00 for the “Mock Crash” which is presented to the senior class each year before prom and graduation season. There are only fifty winners in the country and the BHS SADD chapter was the only winner from Massachusetts.

“Grim Reaper” day was again held in November to remind students about the consequences of destructive decisions. Every 33 minutes during the course of the day, a toll rang over the intercom and two to three students were taken from a classroom by the “grim reaper”. Now dressed in black and painted “dead” gray, those students could not speak and they wore signs saying which destructive decision killed them. At the end of the day those “bodies”, now covered in white sheets were lined up in the hallway as students left the building for the day. The signs on top of the bodies were grim reminders of the causes and effects of destructive decisions.

In December, SADD participated in the “21 means 21” exercise. Three under-aged, student decoys, along with advisor Melissa Newman, a Milford Daily News reporter, and Ken Lamarre, school resource officer, visited all nine liquor establishments in town. One of the students would go into a store in attempts to purchase alcohol without an I.D. Much to our delight, all nine stores were in compliance in asking for a positive I.D. and would not sell to the students. Letters had been sent to each of these establishments warning that within a two to three week period, this exercise would be taking place. The chief of police was also consulted and he supported the students. Letters were then sent to all establishments congratulating them on doing a good job.

- The Bellingham High School Math Club meets once a week. Mrs. Remy is the club advisor. The math club competes one Tuesday each month in a math league competition that compares the highest scores from other students in the New England area. The competitions encourage critical thinking skills and applications of mathematical concepts from algebra, geometry, and trigonometry. Weekly discussions about future career choices that utilize higher mathematical thinking are challenging students to pursue studies in engineering and sciences.
- Mr. Siciliano is the Chess Club Advisor. The Chess Club meets on Wednesdays. They have approximately 10 members and their first competitions were held on November 19.
- Mrs. Phoenix is the DDR Club Advisor. A group of about 15 students meets every Wednesday afternoon in the library for DDR (Dance, Dance Revolution) Club. In this kinesthetic video game, players strive to better their own scores as well as compete head to head with another dancer.
- Mr. Suffoletto is the Mock Trial Team Advisor. The Mock Trial Team competed in the 2008 State Tournament sponsored by the Massachusetts Bar Association. Twenty-three students had a chance to appear in court to argue the case as either a member of the prosecution or defense teams. The team went undefeated during preliminary round competition and advanced to the Region 4 Championship where they were defeated by Franklin High School in a close contest.

- Mr. Suffoletto is the Cable Club Advisor. The Cable Club produced a weekly TV show that aired every Friday called Hawk TV. Twenty students worked with people from Cable 8 to record and air a show that included news, sports, and weather. Utilizing the school's TV production classroom. Hawk News crew members are learning how to produce, direct, broadcast and edit through the creation of short programs that are shown on the school's closed-circuit system.
- The Peer Mediation Coordinator is Mrs. Dunn-Nastasi. Bellingham High School has eight Peer Mediators. The Mediators are trained to listen and objectively problem solve toward peacefully resolving conflicts. Mediations are confidential, take place during the school day and are completely student led. The mediators help the disputants arrive at an agreement that is then put in writing. The Peer Mediation Coordinator is in charge of keeping a record of all mediations that take place.
- The advisors for the Gay Straight Alliance are Mrs. Dunn Nastasi and Mrs. Gorman. We currently have approximately ten members. Meetings are held twice a month after school. We had a December bake sale and raised money toward some type of field trip during the second half of the school year. We hope to hold more. The kids are asking for a guest speaker to come and talk to the group. We did a "mix it up" activity day in the fall with the goal of encouraging positive social interactions and also plan to sponsor "The Day of silence". Our group is called "Our common ground" and we hope to foster a safe and nonjudgmental space for the students at this school.
- Mrs. Carey is the Drama Club Advisor. The Drama Club presents two plays annually and the group participates in a drama competition on an annual basis.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2008 AT BHS

- 99% of the Class of 2008 received a Competency Determinations as a result of passing both the English Language Arts and Math MCAS Tests.
- *Project 2010*
 - Students are making significant gains towards achieving one of the Bellingham's Project 2010 goals - at least 90% of the students will score Advanced or Proficient on both MCAS exams by the year 2010.
 - 81% of our students scored Advanced or Proficient on the 2008 Math MCAS exam (72% in 2006; 63% in 2005; and 49% in 2004).
 - 80% of our students scored Advanced or Proficient on the 2008 ELA MCAS exam (75 in 2006; 67% in 2005; and 61% in 2004).

PARENT INVOLVEMENT & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- BHS School Council
- Meet the Teachers Night & Parent Conferences
- Friends of Music "Pops Night"
- Numerous parent athletic organizations
- Operation Graduation
- Metro-West Regional Employment Board (grant funds Career Specialist position)
- BRIDGES (grant funds School Adjustment Counselor position and provides link to regional health resources for BHS students)

- Roundtable (community-based justice program - collaborative effort between the Bellingham Police, District Attorneys' offices, the department of Social Services, the courts and the school) with monthly meetings held.
- Bellingham Public Library and Ben Franklin Savings Bank

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE DATA

COMPETENCY DETERMINATION & GRADUATION RATES (As of 12/07)

Class of 2008	99%
Class of 2007	99%
Class of 2006	99%
Class of 2005	99%
Class of 2004	98%
Class of 2003	96%
Percentage of students who graduated	
Class of 2002	97%
Class of 2001	97%

NOTE: Beginning with the Class of 2003, all students need to meet the BHS Graduation Requirements and receive a "competency determination" from the State of Massachusetts in order to graduate (passing MCAS English Language Arts and Math tests.)

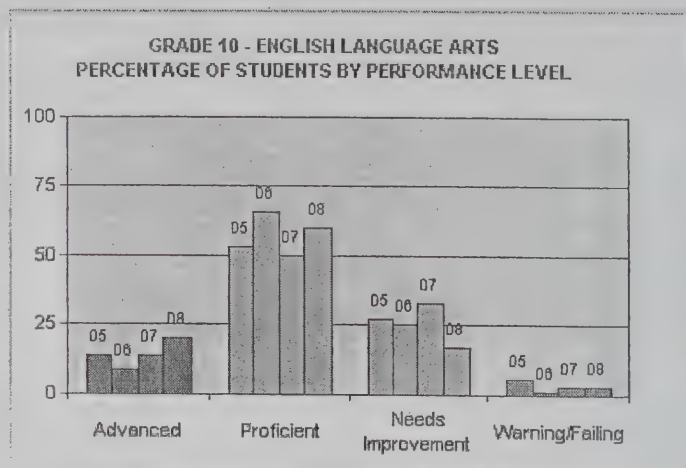
POST-HIGH SCHOOL RATES & TESTING

CLASS	GRADS	4 YEAR	2 YEAR/ OTHER	TOTAL POST SECONDARY	SAT (V/M)
2008	196	62%	11%	73%	503/501
2007	195	57%	19%	74%	485/515
2006	188	56%	19%	75%	514/513
2005	173	60%	27%	87%	
2004	192	53%	33%	86%	

MCAS ANNUAL COMPARISONS

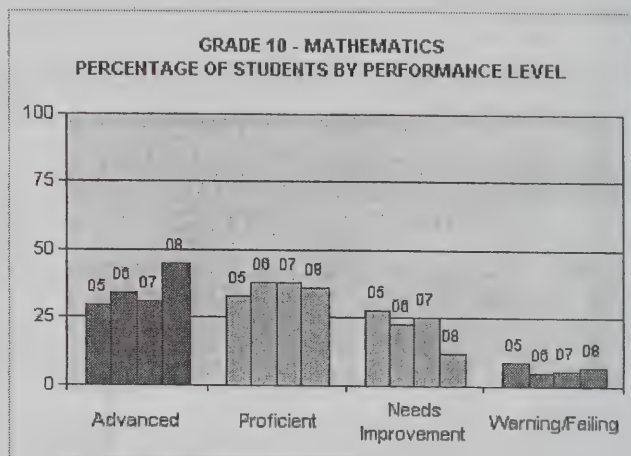
GRADE 10 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

PERFORMANCE LEVEL	2005	2006	2007	2008
ADVANCED	14	9	14	20
PROFICIENT	53	66	50	60
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	27	25	33	17
FAILING	6	1	3	3



GRADE 10 - MATHEMATICS

PERFORMANCE LEVEL	2005	2006	2007	2008
ADVANCED	30	34	31	45
PROFICIENT	33	38	38	36
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	28	23	25	12
FAILING	9	5	6	7



CYCLE IV Adequate Yearly Progress Report – October 2006

English Language Arts

Cycle IV Performance Rating:	VERY HIGH	Performance Data:	State Target	Cycle IV CPI	
			85.4	87.0	
Cycle IV Improvement Rating:	ABOVE TARGET	Improvement Data:	Baseline CPI	Gain Target	On Target Range
			87	1.9	87-91.4
Accountability	Status:	No Status	Cycle IV AYP (Aggregate):	2007	2008
				Yes	Yes

Mathematics

Cycle IV Performance Rating:	VERY HIGH	Performance Data:	State Target	Cycle IV CPI	
			76.5	88.5	
Cycle IV Improvement Rating:	ABOVE TARGET	Improvement Data:	Baseline CPI	Gain Target	On Target Range
			85.5	2.1	85.5-90.1
Accountability	Status:	No Status	Cycle IV AYP (Aggregate):	2007	2008
				Yes	Yes

	No. of Teams	No. of Participants	Coaches Salaries	Equipment	Game Officials	Game Personnel	Trans- portation	Gate Receipts	Total	Per Student Cost *
Trainer			\$33,000	\$4,558					\$ 37,558	
Football (5)	3	61	\$21,361	\$1,500	\$5,337	\$2,126	\$5,827	\$9,390	\$ 45,541	593
Soccer, Boys (3)	3	48	\$8,622	\$1,881	\$2,495	\$1,150	\$4,143	\$645	\$ 18,936	381
Soccer, Girls (3)	3	50	\$9,345	\$1,881	\$2,881	\$950	\$4,143	\$689	\$ 19,889	384
Volleyball (3)	3	31	\$8,171	\$1,700	\$2,693	\$1,280	\$4,508	\$1,044	\$ 19,396	592
Field Hockey (3)	3	42	\$9,052	\$2,195	\$3,051	\$630	\$6,028	\$795	\$ 21,751	499
asketball, Boys (4)	4	53	\$13,781	\$2,066	\$4,577	\$3,930	\$4,641	\$5,150	\$ 34,145	547
asketball, Girls (4)	4	35	\$13,551	\$2,066	\$4,399	\$1,390	\$4,641	\$1,714	\$ 27,761	744
Ice Hockey (2)	2	33	\$7,505	\$18,655	\$2,118	\$2,354	\$1,705	\$1,617	\$ 33,954	979
Winter Track, B&G (3)	2	52	\$7,865	\$500	\$1,534		\$3,860		\$ 13,759	265
Baseball (3)	3	43	\$9,846	\$2,389	\$3,128		\$3,000		\$ 18,363	427
Softball (3)	3	44	\$9,328	\$2,321	\$2,705		\$3,000		\$ 17,354	394
Spring Track, B&G (4)	2	61	\$12,093	\$500	\$3,315		\$1,362		\$ 17,270	283
heerleader, Winter (1)	1	20	\$1,672	\$500			\$277		\$ 2,449	122
heerleader, Fall (1)	1	19	\$1,217	\$500			\$588		\$ 2,305	121
Cross Country (2)	2	53	\$5,386	\$700	\$660		\$4,141		\$ 10,887	205
Golf (1)	1	11	\$2,120	\$1,500			\$2,970		\$ 6,590	599
Wrestling (1)	1	18	\$3,295	\$500	\$441	\$230	\$5,411		\$ 9,877	549
Lacrosse (1)	1	30	\$3,626	\$500	\$1,420		\$1,696		\$ 7,242	241

	\$ 42	\$ 704	\$ 180,836	\$46,412	\$ 40,754	\$ 14,040	\$ 61,941	\$ 21,044	\$ 365,027	*Average
<i>SUBTOTAL</i>										
Administration									\$72,800	
T.V.L. Dues									\$3,800	
Insurance									\$5,500	
Reconditioning									\$5,000	
Contracted Services									\$2,700	
Alternative Printing Workshop Presentation									\$200	
Floor Maintenance									\$525	
Field Paint									\$9,100	
Field Maintenance									\$6,500	
<i>Total</i>									\$18,000	
Gate receipts									\$ 489,152	
User's Fees									(\$21,044)	
<i>Total Funded</i>									(\$78,703)	
									\$ 389,405	
									(*minus gates receipts)	

PAUL J. PRIMAVERA CENTER – Mr. Robert LeCount, Principal

The Primavera Center provides an alternative learning environment for students in grades nine through twelve. Most students at the Primavera Center have been identified as having learning disabilities and are placed there via an Individual Education Plan. Students attending the Primavera Center hail from Bellingham and several surrounding communities.

The Primavera Center provides a full high school experience in a small school venue. Small class sizes, Aide supported classrooms, and an adapted curriculum give students with disabilities an opportunity to be successful learners. Specialists in art, ceramics, technology, physical education and health, complete the full high school experience. Two School Adjustment Counselors offer social and emotional support. Additional reading support is provided by a trained Wilson teacher.

Ensuring that learning opportunities are available to all students, understanding that students have preferred learning styles, and adapting the curriculum for diverse learners are core concepts of the Primavera Center. Participation in the Work Study program and exploring post graduation endeavors are vital to the success of Primavera Student's.

Building on the core concepts and developing the Work Study program are the goals of the new administrator, Robert LeCount. Staff development has focused on designing and supporting a successful alternative high school. Encouragement, support, coaching, and intensive intervention are the framework for the success of Primavera Student's. Defined behavioral expectations and limit setting enhances that success.

Mr. LeCount continues to emphasize meeting state standards for all students in the program and encouraging students to work to their maximum potential, while developing problem solving skills that will empower them to become productive, caring, and successful contributors in our school and society. The staff members at Primavera foster a holistic approach to learning and support the emotional and psychological needs of their students, as well as meet the educational requirements necessary for successful entry into a higher level of education or the workforce. As the quality and diversity of programs at the Primavera Center continue to grow, so does the demand for placement from surrounding communities.

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES

Marijane Hackett, Director of Special Services

The Special Services Division supports the overall mission of the Bellingham Public Schools by collaborating, providing personnel, staff development and leadership to meet students' learning needs in a single system of education that maximizes the resources of the entire system. The Bellingham Public Schools Special Services Division provides those complementary resources and strategies that ensure all students are afforded the opportunity to meet District Learner Goals. We are a community of parents, teachers, administrators, business leaders and general public committed to excellence and accountability. Our vision for the future is constantly shaped by the diverse and changing needs of our students. We recognize that teamwork is integral to our efforts and that effective collaboration maximizes our resources so that our students are well prepared for the future.

One of the goals of Special Services is to work with special education staff to foster implementation of policies and procedures that ensure compliance with state and federal regulations. Special Education Handbooks containing special education regulations, as well as Bellingham School District's policies and procedures, were printed and distributed to all schools in 2002. This Handbook was revised and redistributed in September 2004 and is scheduled for revision in 2008-2009 when changes resulting from IDEA 2004 are finalized. Monthly meetings with the special education coordinators from each school consistently reviewed and clarified these procedures for implementation. Monthly audits were established to ensure that all Teams were up to date on all Individual Education Plan (IEP) reviews and evaluations. The administration and special education coordinators focused on establishing continuity throughout the district, especially in regards to developing high quality evaluations and consistency in determining eligibility under IDEA. They developed guidelines and procedures for conducting evaluations that are now utilized throughout the district.

Several workshops have been conducted throughout the past year on writing IEPs, with emphasis on writing measurable goals based on the needs of the individual student. In writing IEPs, we are now focused on providing FAPE for all students as mandated by new state regulations. Teams are taking a careful look at *how* we provide services for students in the least restrictive environment and are focusing on the State Standards. There is ongoing collaboration between general education and special education teachers to provide services for students within inclusive settings.

Great strides have been taken in the implementation of three new programs in the district. One of these programs is at the pre-school and provides services for students diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. This program is staffed with a Board Certified Behavior Specialist (BCBA), a Behavior Specialist, Special Education Teacher, a nurse and two Instructional Learning Assistants. It is housed at Stall Brook School in the new pre-school wing. The Bellingham Early Childhood Program (BECP) led by Mrs. Pam Fuhrman, has been very successful in supporting our special needs preschoolers in the least restrictive environment. One hundred twenty youngsters ranging in age from 3 to 5 years participate. The BECP staff consists of five teachers, seven classroom assistants, and a team of support staff including speech/language, occupational and physical therapists. The teachers and support staff have become highly skilled in working with the Mayer-Johnson Picture Exchange System, communication journals, social stories and have completed a number of

trainings in ABA. The preschool has collaborated with our local Community Partnerships for Children (CPC) to develop parenting programs and conduct home visits to work with families of special needs students. The BECP cooperates with both the regional early intervention programs and the elementary schools in town to provide smooth transitions for all students.

This year we also have our own Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) who has worked primarily with our program for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder in the BECP and Stall Brook programs. She has been working with students, staff and parents in developing individualized behavior learning programs for these children. She has also worked district wide with the other schools in developing behavior support programs for students with ASD in inclusive settings as well as conducting Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI) training.

Under the direction and leadership of Jaime Dorr at Macy, Helen Chamides at Stall Brook and Kathryn Wilson at South, inclusionary practices have been developed and implemented in all three elementary schools. There is a full day Inclusion kindergarten class at both Macy and South schools. A substantially separate class for Kindergarten and grade one students is in place at Stall Brook School. Special education teachers in grades one through four provide support and instruction to students within the general education class room or in more intensive small group settings. Special education teachers work in collaboration with the regular classroom teachers to ensure a solid co-teaching model. In addition, special service providers may work within the general education classrooms to deliver services. Instructional learning assistants also provide support to identified students throughout the day.

With the support and strong leadership of the principal, Elaine D'Alfonso, several programs have been established to support the varied needs of students in the Middle School. Two Substantially Separate Classrooms for students with significant developmental delays are in place. These students spend part of the day in a self-contained classroom and part of the day participating in various activities with their non-disabled peers. There are scheduled resource classes for students who need small group instruction in reading, math and written language on a daily basis. Most of the students are serviced within the classroom setting by a special education teacher or instructional learning assistant working in collaboration with the classroom teacher. Small group or individualized instruction is provided for these students when needed. Wilson Reading is also available at the Middle School for students requiring a structured, systematic, remedial reading program. This year several teachers were also trained in Project Tead Report Form and SRA Remedial Reading Programs.

Full Inclusion of special needs students was initiated in September, 2003 at Bellingham High School, and now in its fourth year is gaining momentum. In addition a new substantially separate program was added last year. This program focuses on basic life skills and pre-vocational skills for students with more intensive needs. These students are provided modified classes in English, Math, Social Studies and Science and may also participate in general classes with accommodations and instructional supports. Most students, however, are serviced in an inclusion setting. Special education teachers are assigned students for whom they write IEP goals and objectives, monitor progress, coordinate services and serve as a liaison for the parents and subject area teachers. Special needs students may be assigned to a resource class during the day, if needed, for small group or individualized instruction. Most students are serviced within the classroom setting and are supported by special education staff and/or provided accommodations or modifications to allow them to access the general

curriculum. The administration and staff will continue to collaborate as we continue to adopt an Inclusion model that provides optimal educational opportunities for all Bellingham High School students.

Staff development has been, and continues to be, a major focus of special services, especially as our schools transition to Inclusive settings. Several workshops have addressed compliance issues such as the IEP Process, Writing IEPs, Writing Measurable Goals and Progress Reports, Evaluation and Diagnosis of Disabilities under IDEA, FAPE, and providing services in the least restrictive environment. Several workshops also focused on supporting Inclusion including Differentiating Instruction in the Mixed Ability Classroom. Elementary special and general education teachers are also taking part in ongoing workshops for reading assessments including the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS), the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA), and the Qualitative Reading Inventory (QRI). Teachers will use these assessments to drive instruction and track progress of students.

The Special Services Department is committed to staff development for both professionals and paraprofessionals. In anticipation of certification requirements for our paraprofessionals under the *No Child Left Behind* initiative, Bellingham has contracted with the Para Educator Learning Network. This is an Internet based professional development web site that allows each individual to access courses from home or school. The web site maintains a personalized transcript to assist each individual and tracks courses that have been successfully completed. This program is available to all paraprofessionals in Bellingham.

With the cooperation and support of the Superintendent of Bellingham Public Schools, David Fischer, the Office of Special Services will continue to make great strides in achieving their goals. It is expected that with this continued collaboration, all our goals will be achieved in the near future. As a District, we continue to focus not on any shortcomings of the past, but on our goals and achievements in the future.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT REGULAR BUDGET EXPENDITURES FINAL FISCAL YEAR 2008	
School Committee	\$31,180
Superintendent's Office	\$281,743
Business Office	\$210,806
Legal Services	\$37,268
Administrative Technology	\$103,029
Supervision	\$178,864
Principals' Offices	\$907,487
Dept.Heads-Bldg Level	\$26,018
Principal Technology	\$7,230
Instruction	\$9,948,883
Teacher Specialists	\$798,913
Instructional Coordinators	\$257,715
Medical/Therapeutic Services (OT, PT, Speech)	\$661,772
Professional Development	\$389,707
Textbooks	\$59,684
Instructional Hardware & Software	\$71,173
Library Services	\$193,827
Guidance & Counseling Services	\$487,744
Testing & Assessment	\$10,849
Psychological Services	\$112,989
Attendance Services	0
Health Services	\$247,026
Bus Monitors/Transportation	\$23,740
Food Services	\$11,321
Athletic Services	\$347,922
Other Student Activities	\$30,297
School Security	\$389
Custodial Services	\$1,333,774
Heating of Buildings	\$360,541
Utility Services	\$594,108
Maintenance of Grounds	\$49,374
Maintenance of Buildings	\$385,131
Maintenance of Equipment	\$69,441
Network/Telecommunications	\$158,025
Technology Maintenance	\$124,249
Employee Retirement Benefits	\$28,200
Rental & Lease	\$71,193
Recreation Services	\$2,374
Improvement of Buildings	\$90,494
Mass. Public Schools Tuitions	\$248,103
Non Public Tuitions	\$265,739
Collaborative Tuitions	\$665,164
Total Expenditures for 2007-2008 School Year	\$19,883,486.00

Transportation Budget July 2006-June 2007	
Regular Transportation	\$827,339
Late Buses	\$24,055
Kindergarten Buses	\$68,850
Vocational Buses	\$25,830
Homeless Transportation	\$8,565
Sped Transportation	\$528,250
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Total Transportation for the 2007-2008 School Year	\$1,482,889.00

FEDERAL AND STATE PROJECT GRANTS

Listed below is a summary of Federal and State Project Grants received during the School/Fiscal year of July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008.

	FEDERAL GRANTS	
1	Title IIA, Teacher Quality	\$51,012
2	Title IID, Enhanced Education through Technology	\$1,271
3	Federal Sped Allocation	\$638,142
4	Sped Program Improvement	\$15,592
5	Title V	\$1,574
6	Title I Distribution	\$85,170
7	Drug Free Schools	\$6,444
	SUB TOTAL FOR FEDERAL GRANTS	\$799,205.00
	STATE GRANTS	
8	Summer Academic Support	\$3,350
90	Academic Support Services	\$16,100
	SUB TOTAL FOR STATE GRANTS	\$19,450.00
	OTHER STATE GRANTS	
10	Sped Early Childhood Grant	\$28,504
11	CPC-Community Partnership for Children	\$89,908
	SUB TOTAL FOR OTHER STATE GRANTS	\$118,412.00
	DISTRICT TOTAL FOR ALL GRANTS	\$937,067.00





